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OF

Holy Trinity (Old Swedes) Church,

WILMINGTON, DEL.,

FROM 1697 TO 1773.

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HORACE BURR, WITH AN ABSTRACT

OF THE ENGLISH RECORDS

FROM 1773 TO 1810.

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PREFATORY REMARKS

BY THE TRANSLATOR.

I have not attempted to render the old Swedish in which these records were written into modern book English, but have made a very literal translation, following the style of the writer though antiquated, for to do otherwise would often have been a paraphrase rather than strictly translate. A translator of history or fiction may be expected to render the facts ideas etc. of the author into good literary English, divested as much as possible of the idiomatic peculiarities of the original, at the same time retaining its general tone and spirit; but in translating simple records like these it seems to me best to render the words and sentences in simple equivalent English, without altering the quaintness of expression and peculiar construction of the sentences any more than is necessary to make the meaning intelligible.

In transcribing the names of persons I have followed the spelling of the recorder, except where there was an evident mistake or slip of the pen.

It will be seen that the names of persons not Swedes have been spelt as they would sound to the Swedish ear, and many of them very differently from their proper English orthography.

It will be observed that the orthography of Swedish names was constantly changing, and generally in the direction of the elision or dropping out of letters.

It will also be noticed that most of the real Swedish sirnames end in "son."

The Bondê or agricultural population of Sweden had no sirnames at the time of the emigration, nor have they even now. The oldest son takes the father's name, as for instance, Johan the son of Johan, would be Johan Johansson, and all the other sons, Peter, Carl, etc, would be Peter Johansson, in English, Johnsson; and the daughters take dotter, as Brita Johansdotter.

After their settlement here among English and other nationalities, who had already adopted sirnames for all classes, the father's name naturally became the family name, but the peculiarity of spelling with two s' continued for a long time, and Paulsson was the correct spelling until a quite recent date.

In some cases the termination son was left off and the adopted sirname more or less changed; as Justa Justasson became Justa Justus or Justis.

Some names have been so changed that the origin has been lost sight of, as for instance, Derickson was Didriksson or Richardsson and Poulson was Paulsson, the son of Paul, and spelt with a broad "a."

Several Dutch names had come in by intermarriage, as Van de Wer, Walrawen, Van Culen, etc., but they were most of them changed gradually, as Van de Wer into Vandever, etc.

The clergy were mostly from the classes of gentry, or descended from citizens or tradesmen, whose sirnames had come from estates, occupations, place of residence, etc.

It will be noticed that the names of many of the clergy terminated in "ius," as Hesselius, Lidenius, Girelius, etc. This came from the almost universal custom in different parts of Europe at that time to Latinize, the names of scholars and clergymen, as for instance, in Holland Hugo Grotius was originally Hugh de Groot, and where they could not euphoniously change the sirname, they at least changed the baptismal one, as Ericus Bjork, Andreas Rudman, etc.

The Swedish colonists were almost exclusively agriculturists, and their mechanical skill seems to have been only adequate to building their plain log houses, and making log canoes, carts, sleds, etc., so that when they built the church they engaged their

masons, carpenters, and sawyers, from the English in Philadelphia. They were good judges of land and located their farms frequently distant from each other wherever a good spot was found, and the few hundreds were scattered on the west side of the Delaware, from St. Georges on the south to the falls at Trenton on the north and along the inflowing water courses, and on the east side from the lower end of Penn's Neck to the region around and some distance above Raccoon creek, now Swedesburg.

Their principal means of conveyance and travel being the log canoe rendered it necessary to locate near the river and creeks, and in their canoes they crossed the Delaware, or came down the creeks to church while navigation was open. Canoe making seems to have been followed as a business but could not have been very remunerative, as the one recorded to have been bought by the people on the north side of the Christina and given to those who were accustomed to come by the way of New Castle from the Jersey side to save their ferriage over the Christina was bought entirely new for twenty shillings country currency.

The Swedes were a religious folk and almost all public interest centered in their church and its ordinances.

They were very particular about the baptism of their children, most of whom were baptized before a week old, and many by the third day, and if by chance any neglected child was growing up without baptism, it became a matter of public concern.

They were very careful for the good morals of their community, and if any were walking disorderly, the most judicious among the church officers or members were selected and instructed to visit them and use all proper means to reform them.

The people built their own churches and purchased the glebe farms attached to each of them, and erected the necessary buildings for their ministers without any assistance from Sweden.

They also paid the salaries of the ministers while here, and contributed the necessary money for their passage back when they returned to Sweden.

The ministers nearly all married wives here from among their parishioners, and those who returned to Sweden sometimes were accompanied with several native American children. Several of

them died here while engaged in their ministry, their widows and children remaining, from whom there are many descendants among the present population of Wilmington and surrounding places.

The Kings of Sweden, after the ministers had been selected by the ecclesiastical authority, commissioned them and paid the expense of their passage over, and also granted a certain sum as extra remuneration for whichever acted as provost over the churches, and sometimes furnished a preacher extraordinary as a general assistant at hi own expense.

The Kings also on several occasions made gifts of bibles and religious books to the churches.

There were no missionary organizations in Sweden, nor were there any in England till after the coming of Rudman and Bjork, though the society for the propagation of the gospel in foreign parts, was formed in England soon after, and as will be seen by the records, the Swedish ministers were its beneficiaries for services rendered vacant English churches.

Two of the ministers, Messrs. Tranburg and Borell are buried in the church, and several children of ministers also.

It was esteemed great honor to the dead to bury their remains within the walls of the sacred edifice.

The floor being made of stone and bricks, could readily be removed for such burial.

How long the custom continued, or how many were buried, is unknown.

Religious services were first held at Christina, but not long after at Tennekong.

The lower congregation embraced those on the other side of the Delaware below Raccoon Creek, extending down to Penn's Neck, and the upper from Raccoon Creek upwards.

After the building of the churches at Raccoon and Penn's Neck, the two mother congregations were confined to the west side of the river, the lower embracing all below the neighborhood of Marcus Hook and Chester, the upper, those above; eventually comprising the congregations of Wicacoe, Kingsessing and Upper Merrion in one parish, which are now separate churches. Christina and Wicacoe always remained the leading

churches and the provost or commissary was usually rector of one or the other of them.

The upper and lower congregations were before the coming of Rudman and Björk, sometimes ministered to by seperate clergymen and sometimes by the same one alternately, but when there were two in the country each seems to have had its own minister.

The clergymen preceding, Rudman and Björk, were Riorus Torkillus who came over with Minewe in 1638, and died in Fort Christina, September 7, 1643. He was undoubtedly buried at the southern end of the present church.

John Campanius who returned to Sweden in 1648. The Rev. Israel Holgh and the Rev. Mr. Peter who returned to Sweden sometime after Campanius.

The Rev. Lars Lock or Lokenius who was for years the only minister, and served both congregations, Christiana and Tennakong, but mostly the Christina or Cranehook. He became very infirm during the last years of his life, and died in 1688.

Jacob Fabricius who was not a Swede was engaged by the upper congregation in 1677, and officiated in the lower church also, after the failure of the health of Lock, though he was blind for nine or eleven years before his death, which occured in 1693, or soon after, which leaves both churches entirely destitute of ministers for four or five years.

After the people of other nationalities settled among the Swedes, intermarriages became frequent especially of the Swedish women, who seem to have been more numerous than the other sex.

The result of these intermarriages was, that a very considerable part of the population of Wilmington and the surrounding country, except those families who have come in within the last half century, are in a greater or lesser degree of Swedish descent.

Indeed, it is rare that among the older families one is to be found that has not more or less of Swedish blood.

The exceptions are found mostly among the Friends or Quakers, whose tenets forbade marrying out of their denomination, though occasionally a Quaker girl fell in love with and married a Swede.

The Swedish Ministers held a sort of pastoral relation to the

whole population, as it will be seen from the records that more than nine-tenths of the baptisms and marriages had no direct connection with Trinity Church, and the influence of those educated and refined Christian gentlemen, undoubtedly was a great power for good in the formation of the character of the people, destitute as they were of adequate religious training and influences.

Without depreciating the influence and labors of others, it may be truly said that the body of Swedish clergy, together with the English Missionaries of the Society for the propagation of the the Gospel, with whom they were always in accord, were, during the century preceding ours, the principal formative moral influence throughout this region of the country, and their memory should be gratefully revered by succeeding generations.

From January, 1773, the records were written in English, mostly in the handwriting of Mr. Girelius, and I have transcribed them and also those pertaining to the amendment of the charter, with an abstract of the records and the baptisms and marriages to the end of Mr. Clarkson's rectorship in 1790.

I have omitted the names of the witnesses or sponsors at baptisms, after giving a few examples, or in cases of special interest, and also the burials after the coming of Mr. Acrelius, as they would add to the size of the work, and are of less importance than births, baptisms and marriages.

The venerable structure, the history of the building of which is related in these records, is now in an excellent state of preservation, and a goodly congregation statedly worship within its consecrated walls. Long may it stand, a monument to the memory of its projector and builder, the zealous, earnest and patient Eric Björk and his faithful fellow-laborers, a blessing to the surrounding inhabitants, and an object of veneration and care of the citizens of Wilmington, whether they trace their descent from those who helped to rear its walls or, are of other lineage.

H. B.

TO THE

Church of the Holy Trinity

AT

CHRISTINA,

IN

PENSILVANIA, AMERICA,

IS THIS BOUND BLANK BOOK GIVEN FOR A CHURCH BOOK, BY,

MR. JOHN HANCE STELLMAN,

IN THE YEAR 1699.

RECORD OF MR. BJORK.

July 2d. 1697.—(a) After I, together with my colleagues Magister Andreas Rudman, and the Honorworthy Herr Jonas Aureen, had given notice of our arrival at Philadelphia to Vice-Governor William Markham showing him our passport with the King's (King William) own hand and seal, giving liberty of passage from England over to this place, dated at Kensington, November, 22, 1696, and the Vice-Governor had assured and promised us all possible favor and assistance, were we assembled for the first time with the congregation in the Crane Hook Church, using the same manner of proceeding as with the congregation at Wicacoe, when we met with them the first time on the 30th of June, bringing to them salutations from Sweden both generally and individually and reading to them.

1st.—Their own letter to Sweden asking for two Priests and for certain books, &c., dated on Delaware River in Pennsylvania, May 3, 1693, in order that they might hear it, and acknowledge it, which they did.

2nd.—Then I read His Royal Magesty's (King Charles XI of Sweden) letter to the Archbishop, dated at Stockholm, February 18, 1695, instructing him to select Priests to be sent with another.

3d.—Royal letter dated Stockholm, February 18,

(a) Mr. Bjork's diary and record was copied into this book under his supervision and with occasional corrections in his own hand and the latter part written by himself.

1696, enclosing an answer from the Archbishop in which he asks that the Priests who are selected and will undertake the journey, may after some years be allowed to come back again, when they, agreeably to God's will, shall be so pleased, or some cause shall necessitate their return, and others be sent over in their place. To which His Magesty graciously assented with assurance of promotion at a fitting opportunity.

4th.—Then I read His Royal Magesty's own letter to the congregations, dated Stockholm, July 15, 1696, stating what books His Magesty had graciously sent to them, being a great many more than they had petitioned for.

5th.—And then the most Worthy Archbishop, Dr. Olaus Swebillius' commission and authority for our office and his statement of what were the duties of our charge, according to the word of God, and what were the duties of the congregation with respect to us, which was dated Upsula, June 25, 1696.

6th.—And lastly I read the letter of the Swedish Minister at the Court of London, Herr Charles Leonkrona to the congregations, dated London, January 7, 1796, which related how our coming over was consented to and promoted by the King of England, through the good offices of the proprietor of this country, the Honorable William Penn (who is now living in London), and saying that the congregations should so conduct themselves as always to retain his favor and good opinion.

Then I spoke to them concerning Herr Aureen, how he was sent out with us as a special agent of the King of Sweden, to remain awhile and return back, so that, according to the King's desire, he may be able to give a verbal relation of our arrival and reception and of the

condition and circumstances of the people, &c., thereby showing to the congregation how great favor and love the King has for them, and reminding them that they, therefore, should remember to treat him as the King's agent.

Then, as it was left to us to decide which congregation we should remain with, I proposed that Magister Rudman should have whichever he chose or wished, as he was the first appointed, so he chose the upper congregation at Wicaco, and I remained with the lower at Crane Hook.

July 11 or the 6th of Trinity.—I began in Jesus' name my first Divine Service in Crane Hook Church, when I informed them how I purposed to conduct Divine Service, if circumstances are favorable thereto, *viz.*, as follows :

1st.—Begin with a morning Psalm and then read from the pulpit a chapter in the Old Testament and one from the New Testament, beginning with the first in each.

2d.—Read the Catechism, without the Lutheran explanations.

3d.—Read the Athanasian Creed, ending with the Benediction and a suitable hymn.

IV.—Thereafter, if there is occasion, 1st, Confess ; 2d, Bury the Dead ; 3d, Baptise Children ; 4th, Church Women, &c.

V.—(*a*) Then begin High Mass, according to the order contained in the directory ; when Lov Exordii and the Gospel are read, then read one of our Christian instructions, with Lutheran explanations, and one or another thereof with simple comments.

(*a*) The Swedes, even Methodists use the term mass for the Lord's Supper, when it is celebrated at the present day.

July 18th or 7th after Trinity, the Transfiguration of Christ.—I began in the above order to perform the services by reading the first chapter of the first Book of Moses and the first chapter of Matthew's Gospel.

At this time I gave notice that so far as practicable, I had made a distribution of the books sent over in such wise that those who have a large household and many who can read, should have the more books, and those who had less, fewer books ; and those who could not use a large book, a manual, Golden Clenodium, &c., should have a catechism or an A. B. C. book and teach themselves first, and those now favored with books should remember to use them faithfully.

That the Bibles could not yet be given out till I am satisfied who will faithfully adhere to the church. Whereof I exhorted them one and all to consider the matter well, and engage themselves, not only on my account that I may know who my hearers are to be, but also for the sake of the congregation, that each one may know who of his fellow hearers will be ready to stand in his place and do his part of whatever may be necessary with regard to the church and parsonage as to building, repairing, &c , &c.

I suggested also, that those who have received books should remember God's House with some money as a thank offering, each one in proportion to books received, explaining to them concisely how we, not only with words, but with gifts, can give God thanks for his grace, as when we give to the church, the school, the poor, or to the ministers of His Word.

I moreover added a prudent talk, representing to them that whatever was for the best for the church was also for the best good of the people, and that the King's

gift becomes a double gift and I heard nothing but hearty good will thereto.

He who receives a Bible shall give one Vanakten piece, i.e. six shillings, for a manual three shillings, and they who have a Golden Clenodium, Upsula Psalm book, or any other devotional books shall give two shillings, for Dr. Olaus Swebillius catechism one shilling, a small catechism six pence and an A. B. C. book three pence.

July 30.—Agreeable to notice given on the 25th of July, we met to choose certain discreet persons of this side of the river and some of the south side (*a*) to act for the whole Congregation in selecting and agreeing upon a place where we in Jesus' name should set our new church.

Those of this side the river were Charles Springer, John Nummerson, Hans Pietersson, Hendrick Juarsson and Brewer Sinnike.

From the other side, Mr. Olle Stoby, Staffan Juransson Jacob Van de Ver and Olle Fransson.

And now the matter was earnestly discussed among them, for some would have the church at Cranehook, some at Thirdhook and some at Christina, and it did not seem possible to come to any certain conclusion at this time—especially as they on the other side of the river thought it hard for them to help now to build such a church for those on this side, for they feared it would happen that they should get no help, if in course of time they become so numerous that they should need a separate teacher and could support him, and therefore should wish to build a church for themselves, and they

(*a*). Jersey side.

who came by the way of Sandhook (*a*) thought it would be very burdensome to have to pay ferriage across the Christina every time they came to church.

Then they on this side immediately satisfied and persuaded them in these particulars, and agreed.

1st.—That when they on the other side in course of time should become so strong as to be able to set up a separate church and procure and support a minister of this, our so called Lutheran Religion, those on this side would help them with money again as much as they now help towards building this church at Christina. Now, as at that time I was in a sickly condition and on that account could not be present at the meeting, and heard afterward that not all of the people approved of the agreement. I sat down immediately and according to my ability drew up a writing in which I showed that if we on this side had never agreed and consented in this wise, yet we are just as much bound for the Glory of God to help them again on the other side if they now help us, and I further wrote by way of encouragement and exhortation—and Charles Springer ever unwearied in the promotion of God's Glory, in order to bring about a good understanding of the matter, went around with this my writing and read it to them and so won them all to unity.

Then after this agreement—as regards those on the other side who usually cross and come by the way of Sandhook and think it would be very burdensome for them always to pay for ferrying over the Christina Creek, they on this side promised to furnish a canoe for them to use whenever they come to church, but to be used for no other purpose, so that nothing more should be heard of the ferrying and it should never be a cause of com-

(*a*) New Castle.

plaint which canoe once delivered to them to take care of—if it be lost they shall provide another themselves.

Then they consulted among themselves how they should in accordance with their promise support him, whom God had been pleased to send them—which promise they must now fulfill. They decided that both sides of the river could at least contribute a hundred pounds, Pennsylvania currency. Whereupon a list was immediately made, and they who were then present (which were many more than those above named who had been especially selected) each one set his hand thereto for a certain sum of money as the subscription shows.

1st.—They also agreed that the church should be built at Christina and that it should be of brick or stone, though some had been in favor of wood. We met at Christina September 19, to choose new church wardens but retained two of the old for another year, viz: Carl Christofferson Springer and Mr. Wholle Stobey, to whom four others were added, viz: Hans Pietterson, Brewer Sinnika, John Stalcop, and from the other side of the river, Jacob Van de Ver, with the understanding that none are to stay in more than two years, part going out each year, and others to come in their place who shall become accustomed by being with those who have a year yet to remain, and therefore Carl Springer and Wholle Stobey remain another year; that these new ones may become used to the duties, and then the coming year they two step out and others be chosen in their stead.

2d.—In accordance with the wishes of the others, Hans Pietterson took upon himself to superintend the building of the (in the Lord's name) intended new church.

3d.—It was decided that the church should be forty

feet in length, thirty feet wide and twelve feet high, though the height shall remain uncertain till we see how it will compare with the other dimensions.

4th.—Those who can best do the carting shall of their own free will, and at their own expense bring forward the stone, and yet give what they have promised in money.

5th.—All who do other work or promise work, shall do it free and at their own expense, so that we shall not have to give out the incoming money to our own folk, as we need it to pay the mason and for the purchase of lime boards, &c.

October 6th.—I, with the church wardens met with the mason, Joseph Richardson, from Upland, at Christina, when we contracted with him to build the new church walls which were to be of stone, fifty feet long, thirty feet wide and fifteen feet high, and writings were drawn up for both sides, one for the mason and one for Hans Peitterson on behalf of the church, binding them in one hundred pounds, to be forfeited by which ever side should break the agreement without good reason.

December 6th.—I was with the church wardens at Christina to decide upon the exact place to set the church, and as the church yard did not extend sufficiently high up for a convenient place without standing over graves, and as we did not wish to set the church so low down, therefore, church warden John Stalcop gave of his own free will for the glory of God out of his own land, so large a place as was needed for the church partly to stand upon, with two fathoms on the south side and the west end for a free church walk, which was put in writing, and for which was remitted to him the four pounds which he had subscribed for the church, as Hans Peitterson said, that according to English law for such a

gift, something must be given in return be it ever so little.

Anno 1698 May 21st.—There was a general meeting holden at Christina for the reason that the first mason Joseph Richardson of Upland, broke his contract with us (about Easter,) concerning our church building, without any cause on our part, and I had in my own name and in behalf of the congregation written to him, and another by the name of Joseph Yard had unexpectedly come down from Philadelphia the 18th of May, and applied for the contract, and we had agreed with him to set forward the work without fail, and therefore the above named meeting was called, and therein it was *resolved.*

1st.—That all the money which was promised last autumn should be paid in by Whitsuntide, and thereafter more should be collected as the work should require.

2d.—In order to save expense of sawing, it was promised that certain of the congregation should split with axes, whatever the carpenters can use without sawing.

3d.—That the help needed by the mason should be hired, as members of the congregation cannot conveniently come and give days work as needed.

4th.—Those who have heretofore given days work and boarded themselves of their own free will, shall hereafter be boarded if they are still willing to help while the work is in hand, but they who so far have not worked at all must find board themselves, but afterwards board shall be provided for them, except that those who have households can keep themselves, but the single men having no conveniences &c., shall be provided for.

5th.—It was also decided that as in Sweden, it is

customary to begin the Priest's year on the first of May called Rogation day, the promises shall always be taxed from the first of May.

6th.—We then had some talk with John Stalcop about the glebe, not expecting to come to any conclusion thereon at this time, but only have some prefatory words for him to think about and consider.

All this except the sixth point was read in the presence of the whole congregation the next day, Dominica Cantata, but there were but few present at that meeting, especially from the other side of the river. The church wardens present at that time were Capt. Hans Pietterson, Brewer Seneke, Charles Springer and John Stalcop.

November 1st.—General meeting.

2d.—We talked of more money for the building which was promised. Had some further talk about the Priestland but without concluding anything.

3d.—About remuneration to Lucas Stidham for my board which they ought at least to pay for the first year after my arrival, which, yet, I should not ask of them if they would all pay me my past dues according to promise, all of which the meeting assented to and did not dispute.

November 19th.—It was necessary to have another meeting on account of the small number present at the last, and also because Wholle Dolboe from the other congregation is making proposals for the land of Churchwarden, John Stalcop (the so called Old Land) which lies very convenient for a Glebe. And this meeting was called, in order that we might come to some definite conclusion with regard to it, but after much discussion it seemed impossible to agree. The disagreement con-

sisted in this, that the congregation insisted that the land should come into their possession immediately for the use of their minister, John Stalcop to deliver it clear and clean from all incumbrance that could be against it up to this day.

But John Stalcop wished to sow it another year or else sow half of it, and pay half of the quit, rent and the congregation the other half, paying him twenty pounds on the delivery of the land and two years after, forty pounds, which in the meantime should stand without interest but not longer, and should take upon ourselves the payment of the two notes due John Hanson Stellman which together amount to one hundred pounds ; thus the whole sum to be paid would be one hundred and sixty pounds. But with all this, there was the above mentioned use of the land that separated us.

N. B. I brought to their notice the points in the former meeting.

So as, it seemed that the land purchased could not well be decided upon in a meeting of the whole congregation, I thought it best to consult with the wardens only, in behalf of the congregation and do the best we could in the matter, and I with Brewer, Seneke and Charles Springer met with John Stalcop on the 21st of December, when we went so far as to agree to assume the two notes of John Hanson Stellman, then give twenty pounds when the land is delivered free of all encumbrance up to that day, and then the forty pounds in two years without interest and the next year sow half the land with him.

It was understood when we separated that we would pay him his money thus, and he should deliver up the land entirely to us without any more sowing and

should give us a clear and right title and consider the matter thoroughly till next Sunday. And so the agreement finally was to pay the money as before stated and sow half the land, but have nothing to do with any rent or tax till the day when it shall be delivered up to us, and the next Sunday the congregation should be informed of the agreement.

The next Sunday I gave them a full relation and said to them that now the most difficult part was accomplished, and that they should not let such a little thing prevent the bargain which I hoped would not happen, and that they would show such love and good will to me as would be to their praise for all time, and that they would experience great inconvenience and be much blamed by those who come after them if such a convenient place for a glebe should be let slip, and that no such opportunity would occur again and they would find it so in time, if not just now.

The matter stood so that I was uncertain whether our bargain would stand or not; I did not wish to be too urgent with the congregation, but I could not hear to have the land sold to anybody else.

So if Olle Dolbœ will, in the meantime hold still, I will let it stand as it is for the present.

Paul Pietterson being urged by his friends, wishes, notwithstanding his behavior, to come into the church, but, as he will not acknowledge that he has done wrong and show penitence, therefore, we cannot give up to him and let him in, but leave him to more earnest reflection.

A. D. 1699, April 22.—I had a general meeting on account of the Priestland in order to come to a decided understanding about it, and have a written agreement, and have the congregation agree to what was last talked

of, as there is danger that John Stalcop will sell it to somebody else, in which case if such a convenient place be lost I will never have anything more to do about the business, and I declare before God that time can show no such opening, at least, not in my day.

When we began to recite how we had before agreed, *viz.:* on the 21st of November, 1698, John Stalcop would not admit that we were to sow half the land and be free from the payment of (*a*) quit rent, but claimed that he had said that either he should sow the whole and pay all the rent, or sow half and pay half the rent, and that we should pay the other half if we sow the half of the land. We then who were present on the above named day knew nothing thereof.

It was talked of but we did not consent to it, but if it cannot be otherwise we must let our word go for nothing, as not understanding him correctly, and so would begin anew with our bargain, which bargain I immediately wrote down.

It stood in these points, viz. :

1st.—When the land is made over, twenty pounds shall be paid.

2d.—Two years thereafter forty pounds shall be paid, for which time it shall stand without interest, but if not paid in two years he shall have interest.

4th.—Take up the paper of John Hanson Stellman. John Stalcop to sow all the land this year and pay all the rent.

5th.—John Stalcop promised a portion of marsh land more than heretofore belonged to the tract which also he had promised previously.

This I wrote down and read it to them carefully and all was fully agreed to on both sides, and those who

(*a*) Rent to the proprietor Mr. Penn.

were present immediately made up a large part of the twenty pounds.

1st.—To get security of John Stalcop for the portion of ground on which is partly to stand our new church, and know definitely how much he will give us.

2d.—To collect money for work on the church, for the contractors must have their pay when the work is done.

4th.—To get enough workmen to have the church ready by Easter, which, next to God's blessing rests with the congregation, as I have procured what is necessary thereto to be had from strangers, such as lime, nails, boards, &c., so let there be laborers enough for each day, and as I see how the work progresses I will give notice of the day of consecration.

5th.—(*a*) I showed them that such offerings were no superstitious or papistical work, but only a rejoicing that God has so blessed and prospered their willing efforts.

6th.—To get again from Hans Pietterson the Bell which he maliciously (in the position in which he was at the time in opposition to me and the church) lied out from the man in whose care it was left at Marcus Hook, which Bell was given us by Captain James Trent when he went away.

6th.—We talked about the seats and said that they who would not now help when we are in the greatest need, may not expect to have any special place, but afterwards buy or take a place where I and the churchwardens may set them, though in the meantime none will be prevented from coming and standing where they can find room, but they who give their labor are most sure to get a good place.

(*a*) This has reference to offerings for the entertainment at the consecration.

(*a*) Now notwithstanding what follows should in order of time have stood otherwhere, yet, that everything might be brought together for the information of the congregation and not be scattered here and there I have set down the whole order of the business, in full, *viz.* :

1st.—Who the contractors were and how we came to agreements.

2d.—The income from the first subscription.

3d.—The exact account of each one's days works on the building.

4th.—Also, a summary of payments to contractors, &c.

1st.—The mason was the before named Joseph Yard from Philadelphia, with his three sons, Joseph, William, and John.

Now, although some of the Church Wardens wished to have the church no larger than was first decided on, and the most of the congregation thought it large enough, I opposed them earnestly, in the confidence that God would help me, for I saw plainly that it would not be such a work as it ought to be ; and I insisted that we ought so to build that there would not be necessity to enlarge the year after, and that our contract should be for a building sixty feet long and thirty feet broad within the walls, and the walls twenty feet high.

I took upon myself to raise in what way I could one-third part of the ready money that should be necessary, doing it, as I said first, for the Glory of God, and then for the honor of the congregation, which, I observed did not comprehend what was necessary for such a building.

And this I was afterwards very sensible of when I

(*a*) What follows here, being a particular account of the church building, was written in the church book after the consecration, hence Mr. Bjork's explanation.

was daily under the necessity to provide and have in readiness what was wanted, and be the superintendent and overseer, knowing that no others would do it, for they knew nothing of such work, and especially as Hans Pietterson, who had been appointed to superintend the work, could not perform what he was chosen for, especially as to the walls, so that I, without any doubt, concluded that God would not have such a superintendent for such a godly work.

And as I must stand for procuring most of the money for the payments, and be bound for whatever was transacted, as the writings show, and have the responsibility of the payment of each and every one after their work is done, therefore, I enter in copies of our agreements, as follows :

(*a*) Articles of Agreement made, done, and concluded by and betwixt Hans Pietterson, John Stalcop, Charles Springer of the County of New Castle and Christina Creek of the one part, and Joseph Yard, Mason and Bricklayer of Philadelphia, of the other party, witnesseth as followeth :

It is agreed, and I, Joseph Yard doe obledge and engage myself and my heirs, that is, with the help of GOD, to lay all the stone and Brick work of a Church which is to be Built in and upon ye Church yard at Christeen near John Stallcop's ; the length of it shall be 66 foot from out to out, the breath shall be 36 foot from out to out, and to be laid in ye ground, a good and firm foundation, and the height frum ye Topp of ye ground upwards 20 foot, and ye thickness of ye wall from ye foundation to the lower ends of the windows 3 foot thick, and then afterwards 2 foot thick upwards, and all ye Windows and doors upon the Church shall be Arched, and the doors and Windows Arched and Quined with Bricks, and this above mentioned worck must be, and shall be done, sufficiently, firmly and substantially in all Respects as ye stuff will allow, and to be done with all Expedition that possible may or can be.

(*a*) Written in England and copied verbatim.

Now for the Consideration heareof, Wee, the above named Hans Pietterson, John Stallcop and Charles Springer doe engage to pay Joseph Yard or his Assigns for the aforesaid work, Eighty and six pounds In Silver Money, to be paid as followeth: Twenty and Three pounds in Silver Money at the beginning of ye work, that is, at the first Stone laying, and 23 pounds when he, ye said Yard comes to put In ye door cases, and then 20 pounds more when he comes to ye upper end of ye Arched work of Doors and Windows, and ye Remainder, that is 20 pounds more, when ye stone work is finished, and with all, wee do obledge Our selves to find ye said Joseph and his Assistants during ye time of ye said work, with sufficient Meat, Drink, Washing and Lodging, with sufficient Labourers for him and his Assistance, and to find all necessary Materials fitt for ye work, and the said Joseph not to be hindered for Materials or Labourers or Carpenters work.

Now for the true performance of this above mentioned Articles of Agreement doe wee Hans Pietterson, John Stallcop and Charles Springer, Binde ourselves and our heirs, Executors and Administratours, Jointly and Severy, of ye one party in a penall Bond and Obligation of 172 pounds Silver Money, and also, doe I, Joseph Yard, binde myself and my heirs, Executors and Administrators of ye other side, In a penal Bond and Obligation of 172 pounds In Silver Money to be paid upon demand, that is, If it be not on both sides truly and duly performed according to every point In ye Articles specified, But, if it be on both sides performed, then the Bond shall be of none effect, if otherwise, to stand in its full force and virtue, Whereunto wee have sett our hands and seals.

Dated at Christeen [L. S.]
Ye 19th of May, 1698. HANS PIETTERSON,
Witness, [L. S.]
ERICUS BIÖRK, JOHN STALLCOP,
Minister of Cranehooks Congregation, [L. S.]
J. AUREEN, CHARLES SPRINGER.
JOSEPH YARD, Junior.

The carpenter was from Philadelphia, Mr. John Smart who had with him as comrade another by the name of John Britt. Our agreement with him was made in writing the 29th, of March 1698, the copy of which is underwritten, which was made by another English man by the name of Thomas Jenner who was with Mr. Smart, and therefore is not so well done, for Charles Springer was at that time Forester for the Governor of Maryland, Sir Francis Nicholson. Mr. Springer is very useful in our business with the English as he understands both our own language and theirs. He also wrote the letter to our Fatherland in behalf of both congregations.

Contract with the carpenter written in English and copied verbatim.— Articles of agreement: Made and comfirmed by and betweene John Smart and John Britt carpenters, both of ye Citty of Philadelphia and Ericus Biorck of the county of New Castle, minister. The said John Smart and John Britt doth covenant and agree with Ericus Biorck to build and finish a certain church on Christeene Creek, near John Stalcop's house to be sixty foot long and thirty foot in breath, both in the clear to build the carpenters work to, etc. One large and four smaller windows proposable to the said Bigness before said, two large and one lesser Door case with Doors and four pewess Enclosed; the other with Rails and a flancher and Benches and Doors, and Enclosses ye ends of the Pews at the passages thereof. The Rufe to be framed with Nealing Principles and Ovale on the inside, also with an Ornamental Encsy with a Pulpit and Canape over the same and to make a Table convenient, Casements to the windows. The same Ericus Biorck to find all Timber and Bords and Iron worck and all Ready sawed and brought to place and also to finde and allow ye said Carpenters, Meat, Drink, Washing and Lodging duering ye said worck; and the said John Smart and John Britt doth obledge themselves to finish ye same by ye last of October next insueing the date hearof, and ye said John Smart and John Britt are to have for ye aforesaid worck and Building One hundred and Thirty pounds current Silver Money to be paid in three

payments, etc., fourty and three pounds and six shillings and eight pence at the entering upon the said worck, and fourty and three pounds six shillings and eight pence to be paid at ye Raising of ye Rufe thereof, and fourty and three pounds, six shillings and eight pence at the finishing of ye same as witness our hands and seals this 29th, of March 1698.

Testes ERTMAN his E mark HINE, JOHN SMART, [L. S.]

JOHN ——— STALLCOP, JOHN BRITT, [L. S.]

THO. JENNER.

We also had the Sawyers from Philadelphia but without any written agreement, but only a verbal one with Mr. Edward Smouth that he should have six shillings for each one hundred feet, allowing them free lodging, meat and drink with ail the timber ready on the Sawpit.

We had all the lime this year from Upland of a Quaker by the name of James Lownes, who brought it down by water in a sloop delivering it unslacked at twenty pence a bushel.

All stone were taken up and broken on Asmund Stidham's land northerly from the church, and mostly were hauled on sleds in the Winter, and after Springtime on carts.

So in one way or another through God's grace and blessing all was got together, and the first foundation stone was laid with my assistance (when by a happy circumstance Mr. Rudman, Mr. Auren and Capt. Lasse Cock were down) on the 28th of May 1698 a Saturday on the north corner of the east gable, which foundation wall is the deepest down though not just there the corner stone stands as it seemed too much out of ground.

The foundation was laid all around about one foot deep except a piece on the south wall, and for here and

there a grave—and some stumps—and not much more was done that day.

During the whole time of this work they were boarded by church warden John Stalcop, and also a free negro by the name of Dick, which the mason brought with him as he knew best how to prepare and carry the mortar—who was also paid by us two shillings a day according to the Mason's agreement with him.

The carpenters boarded at this time with Jesper Walraven, for the first work was then hewing with axes before we got the sawyers down who boarded the most of the time with my landlord Lucas Stidham, and then towards the last with Asmund Stidham at Christina, also the carpenters, after awhile with Lucas Stidham, and lastly at Christina with John Stalcop.

The 6th of June I was present and we set up the first door which is intended for the Sacristy, the door on the north side by the choir, and then the others as they from week to week were ready. The carpenter made a mistake with the other north door which should have been as large as that in the south side or west end; but as I could not at that time go often to Jesper Walravens where he worked on them, for I had to be at the wall building, to see to the workmen of the congregation, and so there was a mistake made in the door.

The 20th of June we set up the first scaffold for the mason which they began to use the 22nd.

The 14 of July we raised the scaffold the first time.

The 26 of July we raised the scaffold the 2nd time, which was the last.

The 12th of August, Friday, the mason work was happily finished twenty feet high all around—*Glory to God.*

The quittance in full for the work on the wall runs as follows:

English—I, underwritten Joseph Yard of the Citty of Philadelphia mazon doe acknowledge that I am fully satisfyed that is for laying the stone work of ye church at Christeen, which is sixty six foot long, and thirty six foot broad from out to out, and twenty foot high, for which I have Received of ye Reverend minister Ericus Biork, that is Eighty and six pounds in Silver Money and likewise I have Received in full for my Morter Labourer the Neger five pounds four shill., and six pence and this Receipt I have given to satisfy the church Wardens and Congregation of Christeen Church, that I am fully satisfyed, as

Witness my hand, Aug. 12th, 1698,
at Christeen. JOSEPH YARD.

Shortly after as I and the carpenter came to talk over the matter of the gable ends, how they should be etc, and notwithstanding the first plan was not to have any, we thought it seemed to look too mean, and concluded it best to build them either wholly or half way up.

I did not at first know what conclusion to come to with regard to it, but finally as I thought it would be difficult to get them all the way up, I would have them half way. and then it would look more like a church building.

In the meantime we were consulting about some one to whitelime and plaster the church within.

Mr. Joseph Yard being at that time at work at Sandhook, we had some talk with him about it, but thought he was too dear compared to what we could have from Philadelphia.

But as he had heard somewhat to that effect Mr. Springer having been to see him, he came up and we came to an agreement, with respect to all that remained to be done as the following copy will show.

Articles of agreement made, done and concluded, between Joseph Yard, mason of the City of Philadelphia of the one party, and the Reverend Minister Magister Ericus Biork, minister of the congregation of Cranehook of the other party, witnesseth as followeth:

English.—In primus, it is agreed and concluded that I Joseph Yard, mazon, shall well and truly make up and lay the stone-work of ye Gabell ends of ye Church at Christeen, and to be well, Artificially, and sufficiently done, as behoveth a good work-man. Secondly, I doe engage and promisse with the help of GOD, to doe and plaister all ye Arch work and plain work of ye walls within side of ye aforesaid church, and to nail up ye laths in ye Roof to ye Arch work, and likewise to doe it sufficiently. Thirdly, I doe engage and obledge myself also to lay the floor of ye aforesaid church, partly with stones and partly with Bricks, and not to hew the stones, Butt lay them as well as I can, and as ye stones will be workt.

Now this afore mentioned work I will partly doe if the weather favours before Winter, and the Rest shall be done betimes in ye Spring of ye Year with ye help of GOD. Now for ye consideration of this aforementioned work, that is of the Gabell ends and plaister work and laying of the floor of the church, doe I Ericus Biork, minister of ye Congregation of Cranehook, Obledge and engage myself to pay or cause to be paid unto Joseph Yard or his Assigns, the summe of forty-five pounds of Silver Money, and to pay it at three payments, as first when the Gabell end is finished, Twenty pounds When ye plaister work is finished, then to pay ye said Yard fifteen pounds, and when the floor is laid and finished Tenn pounds; and moreover I do obledge myself to find the said Yard and his workmen and Labourers good sufficient Meat, Drink, Washing and Lodging, during ye time of the aforesaid work, and to finde him with all Materials necessary for the work, that he shall not stay and waste his time in vain, and further I do Obledge myself to find him good Labourers and sufficient scaffolds.

Now for the true performance of all and every article of both parties doe wee bind ourselves and our heirs in a penall bond and obligation of ninety pounds of Sillver Money, that is to pay

it; he that doth not pay or performe the aforesaid work and to doe it sufficiently, but it truly performed this Obligation to be void and of none effect, or else to stand in its full force and virtue. Whereunto we have sett our hands and seals.
Christeen ye 7 of October, 1698.

Witness JOSEPH YARD, [L. S.]

J. AURREN,

CHARLES SPRINGER.

The carpenter, Mr. Smart began work on the roof the 1st. of August, but it did not progress so fast as it ought to have done, because his partner John Britt failed him, so that he was for the most part alone with that heavy work, and he was also somewhat unwell from time to time yet worked some every week, and after awhile he hired one of our folk named Christian Anderson by days work, and so finally the roof was so ready that it began to be raised the 2nd. of November and the raising continued through the 3rd. and 4th. and a little of the 5th which was Saturday ; and the congregation were enough of them present especially on the two middle days, every one taking hold and succeeded in happily finishing by the blessing of God without any accident. Mr. Smart was alone again till the 24th of November when he engaged a quaker by the name of John Davis from Philadelphia, who was particularly engaged on the roof, for Mr. Smart had bargained with him to do the whole roof.

He had also engaged another man in Philadelphia of the English Church by the name of John Harrison to do the same work, who consequently with his son Joseph came down just three weeks before Christmas, viz; December 3rd. took board etc. with Lyloff Stidham but was somewhat disappointed that the other man had

come down to do the roofing. He made a contract with Mr. Smart to make all doors and etc. had them ready in two weeks, and as the festival was near at hand, and I wished the church roofed in by that time. Mr. Smart agreed with John Davis and John Harrison that Mr. Harrison should do half the roofing for half the price that the Quaker was to have, which was for half the roof two pounds and five shillings. Then John Davis finished his by Christmas Eve, except one row and would have finished if I had not failed to get the nails from Sandhook as soon as they were needed. The other finished it afterwards, but did not get all his side which was the south with the west end, but they were open till after the festival as they all went away Christmas Eve, which was Saturday but after Christmas came again. Just before they left they had some talk about Mr. Harrison taking all the inside work which remained undone.

This was thought well of by me and some others, as this Mr. Harrison could turn and seemed to be a better and neater workman for this work than Mr. Smart, but churchwarden Charles Springer concluded that this agreement betwixt them was not to be depended upon by us, and he advised me to get them together and have a written contract thereupon which was difficult to bring about on both sides, for Mr. Harrison thought it hard to do so much work for so little money. I had also altered the plan a little and increased the work upon the seats. Mr. Smart was not willing to give any more than what still stood back on his first contract with me, which was thirty-five pounds, and that was the highest he would give. Finally, rather than lose this Mr. Harrison such a sober, industrious and capable man, I made up the sum that

parted them, viz; thirty shillings, and so Charles Springer wrote an agreement betwixt them, the contents of which here follow:

English.—Articles of agreement made, done and concluded of, by and between John Smart, of Philadelphia, carpenter of ye one party, and John Harrison joiner and carpenter of ye same place.

Witnesseth as followeth:

In primis do I John Smart lett unto John Harrison a certain piece of work to finish at the church at Christeen which I was Imployed to doe of ye Reverend Minister Ericus Biork and hath not performed according to ye Articles of Agreement to ye time nominated.

Secondly, doe I John Harrison Oblidge and Engage myself and my heirs to finish this aforesaid pieace of work with the help of GOD with all Expidition as possible, maybe that is, I do Oblidge to doe all ye Inside work of ye aforesaid church that is all ye pews and Windows, shot work and the pulpit with a canape over it and a pew of each side of ye communion Table and also with Reals and Banisters about ye church and all ye Inside work is to be done according to ye draught and as it specifyeth more at Large and all this to be done sufficiently as a good Workman.

Thirdly, Doe I John Harrison engage to doe and finish all the Sealing Joice which is to doe and fitt In ye sealing of ye Roof when they are brought In place and hewed to my hands.

Fourthly, Doe I John Harrison Obledge myself to doe with plained Boards over ye three doors In ye church where it is left undone.

Now for this aforementioned work and the consideration thereof so shall John Harrison have at ye finishing of ye work Thirty and six pounds and Tenn shillings In Silver Money and ye Reverend Minister Magister Ericus Biork shall become his paymaster and during the time of this aforesaid work so shall the aforesaid Harrison and his Assistance have their Meat,

Drink, Washing and Lodging In ye bargain Now unto the aforesaid Articles have we Both Interchangeably Sett Our hands and Seals.

Christeen ye 23 of December 1698, JOHN HARRISON, [L. S.]
JOHN SMART. [L. S.]

Signed Sealed and delivered
In ye presence of us,
Ericus Biork
Minister of Cranehooks,
Congregation
Charles Springer.

All was quiet with the church till the fifth of February, when Mr. John Harrison came down with two of his sons Joseph and John, to finish the backstanding work according to the afore agreement made betwixt him and Mr. Smart. Then this man with his two sons worked very diligently and until late in the evening, but with all their great efforts they could not have got it ready by the day which I by God's Grace expected, viz., Holy Trinity Sunday, if I had not got some of the congregation fourteen days before who gave him good help, and there were various extra little things to be done, as the blue list around the church which he colored, and wooden rods for the windows.

The sixth of April, the glazier came down from Philadelphia, a Hollander, named Lenard Osterson, with whom we had no written agreement, but Hans Pietterson had the first of the preceding year, agreed that he should have sixteen pence the foot, and we furnished him board, etc., like the others, and his work was finished in just a month, namely the 11th of May, for he was away during the Easter Holydays and the time deducted. The 17th of April the mason came down with the same workmen which he had the last year to fulfil his contract which he made with us October 7th, 1698.

This time I had lime from the master of the sawyers, Mr. Edward Smouth, of Philadelphia. I had it of him because I had great difficulty in getting conveyance to bring the lime down, but he delivered it himself at Christina wharf at two shillings a bushel, the same as it cost us last year; I also bought of him two thousand feet of boards which we were short of, with a quantity of lath nails for the mason to nail up laths for the plastering.

Both the gable ends were walled up in two weeks and then they nailed up the laths as they all four had nothing else to do, so that by the 28th of April, they had the gable ends up and all the laths nailed to the arch of the roof. On the outside the church were these words set in. The words were made of iron, and upon the west end was,

1698

SI-DE,.PRO-NOBIS-QUIS-CONTRA-NOS

SUB-IMP. REG. D. G. ANG.

WILL. III.

PROPR. WILL. PENN-VICE-GUB. WILL

MAGNIF. REG. SUEC. NUNG-GLOR. MEMOR

CAROL. XI

HUC-ABLES

E. T. B.

W. S.

P. L.

If God be for us who can be against us?

In the reign of William III., by the Grace of God, King of England, Wm. Penn, Proprietor, vice Gov. Wm. Markham, the Most Illustrious King of the Swedes Charles XL. now of most glorious memory, having sent here Ericus Tobias Biork of Westmania Pastor Loci.

On the south side

IMMANUEL

On the east gable

LUX-L. I. TENEBR. ORIENS-EXALTO

On the north side

POL^{a} NR- CHRIST^{i}.

Light from on high shines in the darkness.

Christ is our polestar.

The letters were the greater part of them driven in afterwards, for Mr. Matthias de Foss a smith of our own folk could not get them ready so soon as they were needed, and therefore the hooks could not be driven into the wall before the mason left, but he made certain lines after my directions; but the large date was driven in and fastened with hooks, which the mason's son Joseph drove, and that the letters on the west end (which were so many) might look better and be more conspicuous, he came down one morning before the consecration and washed the place around and colored the letters red.

Then they began the plastering with hair and lime and laying the floor under the long pews with stone which we had (one shallop load) from Turkeyhook. As I found that stone were as dear as brick and did not look so well I sent for bricks for the remainder; and then according to our last contract he made the the altar — feet high, five feet long, — feet broad, with a little room in under. The cost of this altar was one pound. And now all this second contract with the mason was happily finished the 22nd of May at midday, for which be Glory to God forever; and the mason with his work folk went down to Sandhook towards evening. Immediately hereupon Mr. Harrison began to set up the railing

around the altar, and then the pulpit and pews, one after another, as he got them in readiness; so that I could set the day for the consecration, which I thought to have viz: Holy Trinity Sunday as I also intended the name to be Holy Trinity Church (Helga Trefaldighets Kyrckia). Intending the name of the church to be a perpetual humble offering to the Great Triune God (Dhen Store Treenige Gud) and a hearty and sincere thanksgiving for the unspeakable grace which he through me so humble and in so wild a country in so short a time, and above all my expectations and against many oppositions has been pleased to let such a work be carried forward to its conclusion and that without any damage, hindrance or danger.

The fourth Sunday after Easter we held Divine service for the last time at Cranehook, which as near as I can find had been held there since 1667. I made a short address suitable to such an occasion, exhorting them to renew their hearts before God, as God had graciously blessed us with a new church; and as I had previously given notice that I would on that day let each one know where his seat was to be, for I had taken that upon myself, but little thought what labor and trouble I should have therewith, so I excused myself now and only indicated what part of the church each should occupy, and not shift from one part to another in a disorderly manner as has been here at Cranehook, and especially on the day of consecration they should leave room for the strangers, and I promised that I would before long let them know more definitely where their seats should be.

Finally, Hans Pietterson and his wife came forward expecting also to have seats with the rest. Then I first took him aside and asked him if he would pay the ten

pounds which stands back on his subscription to the church, and be united to the congregation as a true and proper member thereof; if so, he should have a pew, but if otherwise never, but that he should be at liberty to come to hear God's word if he desired, and stand wherever he could find a place. All this he promised me, and I immediately and in hearing of the congregation present, rehearsed it, and said that he and his wife should therefore be acknowledged as members of the congregation again as before, on account of this promise. Then his written confession of his foolishness and wrong towards God, me, and the congregation was read, but he has kept himself at home up to the present time. Many of the congregation came the three following days to put all things in order and make everything clean and nice.

A. D. 1699—Holy Trinity Sunday, July 4th. God graciously favored us with a bright and beautiful day (*a.*) for our first entrance into our new church at Christina, after so much labour and expense. The consecration took place in the presence of many hundred persons of various religions besides our own, and it proceeded as follows :

After the assembly had been called together by the ringing of the bell, my colleague from the other congregation, Magister Andrew Rudman and myself clad each in his surplice, (but not with a chasuble as they could not be obtained here,) went in before the altar as also our colleague Mr. Jonas Aureen, though he had only a long cloak with a cape. Then Magister Rudman and myself stood in front next to the altar, and Mr. Aureen before us, and we began thus:

Magister Rudman, 1—Come, and let us praise the Lord God.

a. Litterally, God caused of his grace the day to uplighten for me and the congregation.

2—A prayer of his own composition that God will be graciously pleased with this house.

Mr. Aureen, 3—Read Kings 1st, the whole chapter.

Pastor Loci, 4—The 24th King David's Psalm, the whole.

Mr. Aureen, 5—Read of New Testament, John 10th, the whole chapter.

6—Sang, Our Father which art in Heaven etc.

Magister Rudman, 7—Read with a loud and slow voice the Helig as it is set forth in the church directory for such an occasion.

8—Come Holy Spirit Lord God.

Then the proper consecration sermon from the pulpit whose beginning was Tobit 12—7th. The counsels and secrets of Kings and Rulers shall be concealed etc., but the proper text was Psalms CXXVI, verse 3rd. The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad, and the church was named Holy Trinity Church.

10—From the pulpit began—We praise thee, O God.

11—Then I and Magister Rudman only went before the altar again, and Magister Rudman sang a prayer and then the blessing.

12—With an exhortation to keep and reverence this house as the house of the Lord, and thereupon Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

Pastor Loci, answered, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen.

And this was the conclusion of the proper consecration services.

At High Mass I baptized children and then gave out the Lord's Supper.

Then again, I with my Fellow Brother Magister Rudman went in front of the altar, but my other Fellow Brother Honorworthy Mr. Aureen, preached the Sunday text according to the direction of the Handbook.

Then these Psalms were used.

1st. Thou only God, etc.

2nd. Our merciful Father and God, etc.

3rd. For the preacher we now invoke the Holy Spirit.

4th. From the pulpit, Holy Trinity stand by us.

5th. During communion, Jesus is my Life and Health.

6th. After the benediction, my soul shall praise the Lord.

Then we entertained at Christina at Church Warden John Stalcop's, all the notable strangers so far as it was possible to gather them together, with meat, wine, ale, etc., and then all the others, the cost of which was borne by the congregation as the following memorandum will show.

His Excellency, Vice Governor William Markham with his family was invited to participate, but on account of his protracted illness he excused himself by a letter which he sent by Charles Springer who waited on him on the same errand.

And so praise be to God, we saw the day happily ended. How it has gone with the whole building, from beginning to end with the income and outgift, and the labor upon it is to be found in another place.

The following was given for the entertainment of strangers at the Consecration.

Staffen Joransen gave three quarters of a sheep and one bushel of malt.

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a. Or colleague.

The widow on Pumpkinhook, one bushel malt, three pounds butter, and bread for half the crown.

Joran Liken, three pounds butter, two loaves bread, one dozen eggs.

The widow on Chestnuthook, and Andrew Van Namen together, one and a half bushels malt.

Edward Munn, one gallon red wine, one quarter venison eggs and coffee.

Hendrick Stobey, one peck wheat meal and one and half dozen eggs.

Erick on Cranehook, two gallons red wine and three pounds sugar.

Brewer Sineke, one sheep and one bushel malt.

Charles Springer, one and a half bushels malt.

Hans Pietterson, one sheep and one bushel of malt.

The late Jacob Claneet's widow, one half calf.

Pieter and John Mounsen, together four hundred pounds wheat meal.

Petter Mounsen, four pounds butter.

John Anderson Cock's son Anders, one turkey.

John Stalcop, one bushel malt, one and a half bushels wheat, three pounds sugar, two shillings and six pence worth of raisins and three shillings and four pence worth of hops.

Petter Stalcop, half a sheep.

Petter Pietterson, in Bokton, a half sheep.

Henderson Tossa, a half sheep.

Asmund Stidham, one sheep.

John Stalcop's wife over and above her own labor in as much as it was impossible for her to bring everything in good order, invited the wife of an Englishman by the name of Annie Ritman who lived on the other side of the river to assist her as she was quite familiar with

such matters and occasions, who also gave her services gratis. All of which contributions I reckoned to be worth twelve pounds.

The first subscription money for the church.

	£.	s.	d.
Mr. Wholle Stobey,	30	0	0
Hans Pietterson.	10	0	0
Lucus Stedham,	8	2	0
Petter Stalcop,	7	0	0
Charles Springer,	6	0	0
Brewer Seneke,	6	0	0
Stuffen Inrenson,	5	0	0
Jesper Walraven,	5	0	0
Wholle Thomas,	5	0	6
John Anderson Kock,	4	0	0
Lyloff Stedham,	4	0	0
John Stalcop, see page 6,	4	0	0
Asmund Stedham,	3	0	0
Petter Petterson in Bokton,	3	0	0
Edward Meam, who married the late Jonas Skaggan's widow, Walvoir, an Englishman,	3	0	0
Jacob Clemmetson's widow,	3	0	0
Richard Reynolds an Englishman living at Sandhook,	3	0	0
John Mink,	3	0	0
Petter Mounson,	2	10	0
Mrs. Britta, on the old land,	2	0	0
Her daughter Britta,	0	12	0
Jonas Walraven,	2	07	0
Richard Taylor,	0	6	0
John Mounson,	2	0	0
Jonas Anderson,	2	0	0
Conratt Constantine,	2	0	0
Jons Hendrickson, at the Line Tree,	0	7	8
Lasse Hendrickson,	2	0	0
Joran Liken,	2	0	0
Petter Pietterson,	2	0	0
Jacob Hendrickson,	2	0	0

Jacob Van de Ver,	2	0	0
Hendrick Stobey,	2	0	0
Eskell Hutten,	1	11	8
John Tossa,	1	10	8
Joran Anderson,	1	10	0
Erick Erickson, on Cranehook,	1	10	0
Matthias Petterson,	1	1	0
Christiern Anderson,	1	10	0
Erick Anderson,	1	10	0
Anders Van Neman,	0	18	0
Matz Nielson,	1	10	0
Matz Skrika,	2	7	0
Hans Halton,	1	5	0
Lucus Petterson,	1	4	0
Erick Holton,	1	4	0
Adam Hey, on Swan Cove,	1	4	0
Pouel Poulson,	1	3	0
Frederick Hopman,	1	0	0
Margaretta, on Cranehook the late Henderson Smeds' widow,	1	0	0
Hendrick,	1	0	0
Lasse Vinam,	1	0	0
John Hopman,	1	0	0
Nickolas Hopman,	1	0	0
Mourns Halton,	1	0	0
Lasse Halton,	1	0	0
Lassa Petterson,	1	0	0
John Seneke,	1	0	0
Knutt Quist,	1	0	0
Anders Hopman,	1	0	0
Simon Janson,	1	0	0
Petter Jaquette,	1	0	0
Edward Robinson,	1	0	0
Hans Pietterson on the other side,	0	18	0
Anders Grelsson,	0	18	0
Wholle Nielsson,	0	15	4
George Whiteside,	0	15	0
The widow on Sheephook, the late Wholle Pahlson's widow,	0	14	0

Britta Savoy,	0	14	0
Hans Mollers two sons,	1	4	0
Mrs. Elizabeth Skaggans, Jonas Skaggans' widow,	1	10	0
Summa,	180	11	4

Day's works which were a free will gift to the church building without any compensation, though it was decided at one time that we should hire in harvest time, yet I managed so that through God's grace and help there was very little money paid out for such labor.

	Days Work.
Thomas Skrika,	41½
Matz Tossa,	41
Christiern Anderson,	33½
Asmund Stedham, besides helping now and then, as he lived very near which I could not reckon in day's work,	30
Hendrick Orrane,	30
Hans Pietterson, by Skilpot Creek,	29
Hendrick Juranson,	29
Gabriel Lucasson,	26
Olle Tossa,	24
John Anderson Cock,	23½
Petter Canpany,	22½
Benedictus Stedham,	27½
Hendrick Tossa,	21
John Clemetson,	21
Lyloff Stedham,	
Powel Petterson,	19
Lucas Stedham, besides all the time carpenters and sawyers were working,	19
Hendrick Bosman,	18
Erick Hotton,	18
John Van de Ver,	
Wholle Thomas,	
Cornelius Van de Ver, besides many more at the time the stone were broken on the side where he lived, but as I could not be there and get an account thereof, I have only put in those on this side in the best way I could,	

	Day's Work.
Joran Orrene,	15
Charles Hedge,	15½
Petter Stalcop,	14
Wm. Van de Ver,	14
Jacob Hendrickson,	12½
Jasper Walraven, besides several days' work while the carpenters were with him,	12½
Staffen Juranson,	12
Olle Nielson,	12
Conrad Constantine,	11½
Matz Skrika,	11
Petter Mounson,	11
Lasse Korfhorn,	11
John Hendrickson,	10½
Jonas Walraven,	9½
Hans Lucasson,	9
Eskell Hutton,	8½
Lasse Tossa,	8
Knutt Quist,	8
Wholle Halton,	8
Matthias Petterson,	7½
Staffan Tossa,	7½
John Stalcop,	6½
Petter Bildeback's son Daniel,	8
Lasse Roya,	6
Nickolas Hopman,	6
Anders Hendrickson, at the Lone Tree,	6
John Halton,	6
Mouns Halton,	6
Olle Franson, the younger,	6
Matthias Stark,	6
Jons Halton,	6
Edward Robinson,	6
John Tossa,	5½
Petter Pietterson,	5½
Mr. Wholle Stobey, besides what he did on the other side as a churchwarden, collecting money, &c.,	5

	Day's Work.
Petter Walkow,	5
John Mounson,	5
Thomas Johnson,	5
John Skrika,	4½
Peter Anderson,	4
Joran Anderson,	3½
Wm. Robinson.	3½
Matthias De Foss, besides all the smithing he has done for the Church.	3
Hans Halton,	3
John Seneke,	3
Israel Stark,	3
Lasse Tossa,	3
Anders Hendrickson,	3
Hendrick Peterson,	3
Peter Kukon,	3
Erick Erickson,	2½
Bengst Poulson,	2
John Anderson,	2
Freeman,	2
John Hopman,	2
Erick Anderson,	2
Paul Paulson,	2
Simon's son from Sahakitko,	2
	92 3¼

The following persons were hired:

	lb.—	s.	d.
Charles Hedge for cutting stone 1 month,	1	15	0
Clement Jacobson for a month's work with the mason	1	15	0
Petter Larson, a Swede first time in seven days work,	0	9	0

In the summary of the account of the money, several small sums are recorded in the lump, and these are included therewith.

The following have carted various stuff but not reckoned with the foregoing days' work:

Lucas Stidham, besides frequent jobs when the carpenters were with him.	14 days.
Thomas Jones, loan of horse,	6

	Day's Work
Jons Anderson,	12
Pietter Canpany,	13
Jesper Walraven,	
Besides what he helped when the carpenters were with him.	8
Jonas Walraven,	6
Joran Anderson,	2
Petter Mounson,	1
Petter Petterson,	2
Hendrick Tossa,	14
Conratt Constantine,	3
John Mounson,	1
John Tossa,	1
Edward Robinson,	7
Matthias Petterson, 2 horses,	5½
Brewer Seneke, lent his besides with his two pair of oxen he brought laths from Petter Stalcop's with Jons Walraven,	12
Erick of Cranehook, with two horses,	2
Olle Thomson, with two horses,	4
John Stallcop,	10
Lyloff Stedham,	9
Hendrick Jacobson,	4
Asmund Stedham,	8
Paul from Cranehook with two horses,	1
Charles Springer, lent his,	10
Matz Tossa with his, went to Philadelphia after the mason,	2
John Clemmetson on the same errand with Petter Stallcop's, and Petter Mounson's horses,	2
	159½

The following necessary things were done by one and another at home, furnishing and bringing them forward.

Benedict Stedham and John Clemmetson together, furnished ceiling joists, 40 sticks, 11 feet long and 5 inches one way and 3 inches the others, bringing them to Asmund Stedham's with a canoe, 40 sticks.
Petter Mounson and John Tossa together in same manner 40 "
John Mounson and Hendrick Tossa together, also 40 "

	Day's Work.
Petter Petterson and Powel Petterson " "	40 "
Olle Thomson in same manner,	20 "
Which makes in all	180 "

The following furnished lath for plastering 3 feet long, 1 inch broad and ¼ inch thick.

John Anderson cock,	4000
Petter Stalcop,	5000
Matthias Pietterson,	1000
Erick Anderson,	1000
Hendrick Jacobson,	1000

Shingling laths 11 feet long.

Jasper Walraven,	300 sticks.
Lucas Stedham,	200 "
Luloff Stedham,	200 "
	700 "

Though Lucas helped after Luloff was taken sick.

Charles Springer is not reckoned for any particular day's work in this account, though in addition to some day's work in assisting the carpenters he has from the first beginning to the end been engaged in various journeys and errands connected with the business, as also to gather together what was necessary such as brick, lime, nails, boards, and various other things, going now to one place and then to another, as to Philadelphia or Upland, Sandhook or Maryland, devoting hereto many days and weeks, being absent from his home; and this all at his own expense, and with his own horse, and entirely without the least expense to the congregation, but nevertheless all this could not be conveniently reckoned in the day's work account.

Brewer Sencke, instead of day's work, gave 12 bushels of wheat, which at that time was worth 5 shillings a bushel, amounting to 3 pounds.

Over and above the ready money this year 1698, was given as follows:

Jasper Walraven gave a black horse named Bock, and thereto 3 bushels oats and 8 bushels of rye at 4 shillings and 6 pence a bushel.

Lucas Stedham, 8 bushels buckwheat and 2 bushels of oats.

Brewer Sencke the second time gave 12 bushels of wheat and 4 bushels of rye at 4 shillings 6 pence.

Hans Pietterson, eight bushels of rye at four shillings six pence, one bushel malt at five shillings and one bushel of oats; Charles Springer one and one-half bushel oats and some eight-penny nails for the roof, and when the roof was raised he gave freely almost a whole barrel of good beer and seven quarts of rum for the strangers. Staffin Juranson gave a sheep worth twelve shillings and the widow on Pumpkinhook five pounds butter at six-pence.

In the year 1699 was given by Brewer Senceke nine bushels of barley at five shillings a bushel, Lucas Stedham one bushel oats, senior Arent Johnson one bushel oats, Peter Stalcop nearly one bushel of maize, Lucas Stedham one bushel malt at six shillings, Peter Mounson forty-three pounds of butter at nine-pence a pound, Charles Springer thirty-six candles for the carpenters, Brewer Senecke twenty-seven and Asmund Stidham six teen candles. Most of these articles were brought to John Stalcop's and he took them towards boarding. Asmund Stedham had a small part of them but the buckwheat, maize, and a bushel of barley were used for feeding the horses. Erick on Cranehook gave seven walnut boards for the pulpit and two other four-cornered sticks for the chair.

Peter Peiterson gave three pieces of board, and Lucas Stedham one board and a plank, Lucas Stidham and Petter Pieterson together gave a walnut stick twenty feet long for the turned work, Asmund two sticks for the same use and Jesper Walraven one also, John Anderson Kock gave ten sticks ten feet long and three by four inches thick, and Brewer Senecke a log for the turned work. The following have boarded the workmen and afterwards given it to the church.

Mistress Britta on the old land boarded them five weeks at six shillings with Dick the negro five weeks in all, seven pounds ten shillings of which he gave four pounds thirteen shillings; Hendrick Jacobson boarded in all four weeks two and one-half days but gave it all in one pound five shillings and six pence. John Stalcop boarded the masons and carpenters at 6 shillings a week for each person to the amount of 35 pounds and 5 shillings. And various other persons of 1 pound and 15 shillings. To which should be reckoned on making up the account 2 pounds 8 shillings; Lucas Stedham who had two day laborers with him 13 weeks, and then the two carpenters 9 weeks and also other laborers at other times as much as four weeks for which he should have in all 7£, 6 shillings and 8d, which of his good heart he gave freely for the glory of God. Luloff Stedham kept three carpenters five-and-one-half weeks which amounted to 5£, 15 shillings which he gave in, and also for other laborers to the amount of to 4£, 10 shillings.

Asmund Stedham kept the glazier a month at 6 shillings a week, and two day laborers four weeks, and also various other day laborers, which according to a resolution in the meeting we were to pay him for which in all amounted to 10£, 14 shillings which was paid; besides

these he kept many who were to pay for themselves, but of whom he got nothing.

Here follows an account of the whole cost as near as I can gather the items together, viz:

	£.	sh.	d
795 bu. lime at 20 pence a bu. and 4 pence per bu. freight,	79	10	0
Bricks for doors, windows and floor, 12,500	25	5	0
Mason for all,	132	0	0
For negro who was with him,	8	4	6
Carpenters,	130	0	0
Glazier for 330 ft of glass at 16 pence,	22	0	0
Hinges for pew doors, 46 pairs at 3sh. 6d,	8	1	0
1800 shingles,	18	3	0
N. B.—1,700 unprepared, cost 20 sh. per 1000, but the eighteenth thousand that we took afterwards were all ready and therefore cost 1 pound, 3sh.—cost of all that were bought,	49	4	1
The sawyers for 5,220 ft. at 6sh. a hundred, and four days crooked sawing at 6sh. a day, with going and coming, makes in all,	17	9	3
One inch and one-half inch boards bought 2000 feet,	9	0	0
Nails for the whole work,	28	15	5
N. B.—In this are not included what John Numerson gave, namely, 1700 nails, 55 to the pound, nor smaller, 1704—110 to the pound, nor Hans Pietterson, 11½ pence, nor Chas. Springer, hair at 10 pence per bushel,	4	11	0
Various other small matters,	34	9	10½

Whereto should be added 2 pounds freight for the 2000 feet of boards and 200 pounds lath nails, which Mr. Smouth sent down and are not reckoned elsewhere, and 30 shillings increased pay for Mr. Harrison in the contract with Mr. Smart, which was not included in the other account, and is brought in here.

The stone for the whole Church wall in all 700 loads, 600 for the wall, 20 feet high and 100 feet for the gable ends.

All the timber was cut on our own wood lot where it was found best and most convenient.

	£.	s.	d.
The days works including the drawing are all together 1028 days, which would be at 3s. a day,	154	4	0
	722	8	1½
To which is to be added amount of board given in whole,	26	4	5
Luloff Stedham half,	4	10	0
Jesper Walraven gave half,	5	5	0
Cost at the consecration,	12	0	0
	770	2	6½

There is no account here of the 180 ceiling joists, nor of the 700 laths, nor of the 12000 small laths. My own board ought also to be added, and various other small things. It seems to me therefore, safe to say, that in round numbers the whole Church building, as it now within a year, (Glory be to God,) is come to be finished, has cost 800 pounds Pennsylvania currency.

There is another thing that has not heretofore been mentioned and taken into account, namely, that we have been specially fortunate with regard to the sand, which at first we thought we should be obliged to bring either from the other side of the river or some place on this side like Bokton, and we did get some canoe loads before the work began, which we afterwards used for the brick-work of the doors and windows, but we saw that it would be a tedious and wearisome work to get the sand in that way; we luckily discovered that there was better sand for the walls on the late Jacob Van de Ver's island, and with all better and safer conveyance. Therefore with the free consent of the owner, (the late Jacob Van de Ver's widow Catharine,) we transported from there in canoes all the sand for the building with the greatest convenience.

For the payment of the bills has been received in ready money as follows:

	£.	s.	d.
1st. From the first subscription,	176	2	0
2d. The various articles taken for board,	11	15	01
3d. Money from the purse for year 1698,	11	09	05
4th. Money in the purse on day of consecration,	11	06	09½
5th. Paid in for books,	14	12	08
6th. Charles Springer's thanksgiving for God's help in his recovery from sickness,	3	20	20
	228	06	03½

When we had collected all the accounts we found that we owed a balance of 135 pounds, 8 shillings and 6 pence, besides the borrowed money which the church borrowed of John Hanson Stillman, which was 200 pounds.

a. And the Honorworthy Sir Magister Ericus Biork, Christina Congregation's Praiseworthy Church Pastor, has for the glory of God and the love which he has for his church, given and donated the 135 lbs. 8 shillings, 6 pence.

Here it should be remembered that when I undertook this work I had just come into the country and was ignorant of everything here, and entirely unknown to anyone, but trusting in God's gracious assistance and believing with sure faith that for the honour of his name

a. This was undoubtedly entered here by the clerk, and refers to a latter period as will appear by referring to the next page.

he would not let me come to shame nor be a laughing stock for those who would have gladly seen the undertaking a failure, I persevered and found that though the means at first were difficult of procurement, yet the work went on faster and more favorably than I could reasonably have expected. The burden lay upon me principally to get the workmen and contract with them, and see that they were paid, and I could not bear that they should be asking me for their money or blame me, but God in this, showed me peculiar goodness, he having richly blessed one of our own folk, John Hanson Stillman, by name, living at Sahakitko in Elk River, in Maryland, who was moved with such kindness towards me in connection of the carrying on of this work, that upon my simple word he trusted me hereto, first with 100 pounds country currency the first year, and then the next year another 100 pounds, though I was to pay the usual interest so long as it was outstanding.

The 24th of June or midsummer day.—We held a general meeting of the congregation according to notice given two Sundays before.

1st. For the important opportunity which I took to show a statement of the whole cost of the church, as well in money as in days works, and what each one had done towards it so far as was possible for me to point out.

2nd. To show them the back-standing debt which was 236 pounds, of which I took on myself 36 pounds. *a.*

3rd. To finally let each one know just where his seat was to be, acting according to my best judgment in the matter and the knowledge that I had, as I knew how much each one had given and how willing each one had been, reckoning however, for each one on the other side of

a. The whole was given in afterwards.

the river double against those on this side, for they had much inconvenience and many times must do without Divine service, while they on this side can come thereto, namely, they who have given one pound on the other side, should have room with those who have given two pounds on this side.

4th. To collect a sum during the coming Autumn to be applied to pay a part of the debt, which is shown by the subscription.

5th. We began again about the glebe, thinking to get a decided conclusion upon it in writing. But what happened! In the meantime since the last meeting which was the 22nd of April, for what cause I know not, John Stalcop had taken it into his head that he would not stand to the last bargain, which yet was so certainly and firmly agreed to, unless we would so take it of him that all the land (500 acres,) should be kept as a parsonage forever, (as the English say,) that is, that none of it shall ever be sold. Now this is utterly unreasonable and contrary to our former honest bargain, considering too that we did not really want so much for a glebe, and that this 500 acres lies in two separate pieces and there are two separate deeds, and that only the piece which is of the old land is needed, and that he will not separate the other part which is woodland from the former though it is in another deed, but compel us to buy all. Therefore he should not insist that we should buy so much at one time, and so write the bond that neither we nor our posterity should ever sell any of it, even if it should prove too burdensome for our means and ability. Therefore we gave ourselves anew in talk with John Stalcop and asked him if he would again go back on his promise by such a project.

His answer was that he would not let us have it on any other condition than that we should have and keep all. We asked him to keep the upper part himself and give a little off the piece, but he would not do that. So as I perceived we could do nothing, I ended my talk with him, saying to him that he evidently grudged doing me a favor or that there had been others at work with him. I thanked the rest of the congregation for their good will towards me and all my successors, shown by their willingness to be at so much expense for so much land and to gratify me now particularly as my weary feet have walked here enough already while the church was building, and therefore I should gladly have seen that I now could have a nearer church path and said that the blame rested entirely on John Stalcop who had again forfeited his word, and that the after-coming will severely condemn him, and so I resolved never to say anything more about it.

6th. The money that had been contributed towards the 20 lbs. should not be idle but be used to pay some debts, and more to be gathered if any land should be bought for a parsonage hereafter.

7th. We bought a canoe according to the promise made, when we finally came to agree that the church should be at Christina which should be lent for the use of those who came by the way of Sandhook, and be used for no other purpose except for ferrying the church-folk.

This canoe was bought entirely new of Hendrick Tossa, in Bokton, on the other side of Brantwein's creek for 20 shillings, country money, and delivered to Staffen J. Inranson, at Pumpkin Hook, that he with the others might take care of it, so that the folk on this side, who

only agreed to get one canoe with which to go free over the Christina, would not be bound to procure another.

N. B.—What happened afterward concerning the Priestland, awhile after this meeting, i.e., the 4th of Aug., I came to John Stalcop's, when he, contrary to expectations, asked me to go and ride with him around the land and see on what conditions he would make it over at the next session of the court at Sandhook.

The proposition seemed strange to me as I had entirely given up the idea of the purchase, yet I answered to the effect that I would go for the pleasure of it, but I knew no way to get the 20 £'s. at so short notice as the session is so near, viz., the 15th of Aug., the money collected before being given out, and the congregation being ignorant of this; but he answered me that nevertheless it could be brought about somehow.

So the next day we went all around and when we separated I repeated my former determination that we will never take it forever, but he had changed his mind as to that, and had hit on the plan that we should change the wood lot with him because the wood lot belonging to John Stalcop's land at Christina, lies alongside the land which is called old land, which is the proposed purchase for the glebe and the wood lot of that old land, lies adjoining the Christina land. He proposed, therefore, to exchange so that each wood lot would go with the land to which it adjoined. I answered, that will be a new matter for the congregation to consider, and it will be necessary to find out if the land is equally good and of equal quantity. John Stalcop said he thought there could not be much difference, and if there was any difference in measure he would make it up from the other. We separated with the understanding that I could not

give a definite answer to his proposition for or against at that time.

Finally, the next week, the 8th of August, it happened that I met the Churchwardens Charles Springer and John Stalcop on the other side of the river, at the house of Church warden Wholle Stobey, and among other things we began again to talk of this matter when Charles Springer was so earnestly interested in the business, that he with John Stalcop's assent, came over immediately on the 9th of Aug., and called some of the people together to go over both the wood lots with him and see if there was much difference betwixt them.

The 12th of August there came Church Warden Brewer Seneke with Olle Thomas and Petter Stalcop, but after the two Church Wardens Brewer Seneke and Charles Springer came together, it was thought they were sufficient, so they therefore took the business upon themselves and rode through both lots and decided that the exchange should be made, and if there should be any deficiency in measure John Stalcop should make it up, and so nothing more was heard of the forever but the purchase now stands certain and sure.

The 13th, on Sunday I had Charles Springer and Jasper Walraven again ask John Stalcop if he stood to his bargain. Then Mr. Wholle Stobey promised to furnish the 20 lb. till it could be collected by the congregation of which I informed the congregation from the pulpit, and gave notice that they must contribute again within a month, each one according to his ability, enough to make up the 20 pounds, which would be the 14th after Trinity, September 10th.

As now Church Warden John Stalcop has well considered the matter of selling his land for a glebe so that he and his thereby not only now but hereafter will win an

honorable name, he therefore on Michaelmas day, after the close of Divine service, wished that a contract of purchase should be drawn up for fear of sudden death or other hindrance, and it was done as the copy hereto shows:

Articles of agreement made, done and concluded by and between John Stalcop of Christina, of the County of New Castle, of the one party, and the Reverend Minister Ericus Biork, Minister of Christina congregation, and Mr. Wholle Stobey, Brewer Seneke, Jacobus Van de Ver, and Charles Springer, Church Wardens of the aforesaid congregation of the other party witnesseth——

Whereas, there is a certain plantation and Tract of Land lying and sittuate upon Christeen creek commonly called the old land which had been formally In ye possession of Charles Pickering, containing by the two Ould deeds 500 acres, now this to be understood, that Whereas this aforesaid Tract of land lyeth in two Tracts, now this Tract which belongeth to the Old land will I John Stallcop make over to the aforesaid persons for the use Intended according to the pattent. Butt for the Other Tract of woodland Be it known that I have made an exchange with the Churchwardens by Reason that the Woodland which did belong to the Old land, did not lye so convenient. Butt did lye convenient to my land which belongeth to Christina, and the other lyeth convenient to the Tract of the Old land so called, and doe oblidge myself to make up for all the exchange, the principal number which is 500 Acres. Be it known that I John Stalcop for a Valuable consideration that is one hundred and sixty pounds of Silver Money hath freely and absolutely sold this aforesaid plantation, with house, Orchard, cleared ground and fencing half the hook meadow, and the 500 Acres of land as the draughts more at large doth specifye and with all the conveniences whatsoever thereunto doth belong, which aforesaid Tract of land the Revered Minister Ericus Biork and Wholle Stobey, Brewer Seneke, Jacobus Van de Ver and Charles Springer, as Minister and Churchwardens, of Christeen Congregation have In and for the behalf of Christeen Congregation Bought this aforesaid Tract of land for church land and for a

Minister to live upon so that it shall proper belong to the Church, and for Ministers to live upon and dispose of what They think fitt. Know ye Now that I John Stallcop have firmly and absolutely sould this aforesaid land, with all the conveniences thereunto belonging, for 160 pounds Silver Money, 120 pounds to be paid at the signing and delivery of this agreement, and 40 pounds more to be paid at or upon the 29th of September, 1700; to be paid unto me or my heirs Administrators or Assigns and more over I doe sell this land clear from any manner of Incumbrances Whatsoever as free from Leavy and Quitt Rents, and free for any one to have anything to say or to lay any manner of claim or claims to it and also I obliedge myselfe to bear halfe the charges, what shall come for survay and deed and Recordings of ye writings to the clark and I doe oblidge me or my heirs and Administrators, that is, when being Required thereunto to make it over unto the Revererd Minister and aforesaid Churchwardens In Open Court. Now for the more confirmation hearof have I Interchangeably sett my hand and seal the 29th of September 1699.

Delivered in ye presence
and confirmed before us, as
Witnesses,
Matthias de Foss,
his
Asmund Λ Stedham,
mark.

his
JOHN X STALLCOP.
[L. S.] mark

The following distribution of pews was made in Holy Trinity Church, on Midsummer's day, 1699.

MEN'S SIDE.

I. The four pews by the wall on the south side;

The 1. Set apart for the sexton's pew.

2. Mons. Wholle Stobey, Charles Springer, John Stalcop and Brewer Seneke.

The 3. Hans Pietterson, Lucas Stedham, Lulof Stedham, Steffan Juranson and Matthias de Foss.

The 4. John Anderson Cock. Jacob Hendrickson, Eric Ericson, Petter Person in Boykton, Petter Mounson and Powel Petterson.

II. First quarter on the main aisle containing six pews.

The 1. Free pew for strangers who may occasionally attend.

The 2. Mons. John Hanson Stillman, Jesper Walraven, Petter Stalcop, Arent Van de Burgh, which stands for his life-time.

The 3. Hendrick Jacobson, Wholle Thomson, Hendrick Stobey and John Mink. N. B.—Afterwards sold to Conrad Constantine.

The 4. Jacob Van de Ver, (over the river,) Asmund Stedham, Edward Meum. N. B.—Afterwards sold to Peter Classon and Jonas Walraven.

The 5. Richard Runnelson, John Mounson, Cornelius Van de Ver and Juran Liken.

The 6. Michael Vainam, Joran Anderson, Conratt Constantine and Olle Franson.

III. The second quarter below the door containing eight pews.

The 1. William Van de Ver, Petter Canpany, Lasse Hindrickson, (from the other side,) Petter Petterson, (from the other side,) John Clemmenson, Christina Anderson and Anders Hofman.

The 2. Matthias Skrika, Matz Petterson, Jons Anderson, Frederick Hofman, Erick Hotten, Anders Vainan, Matz Neilsson and James Brewer.

The 3. Benedictus Stedham, Matz Tossa, Thomas Skrika, Hendric Hendrickson, Lucas, Hans and Gabriel Petterson, and Erick Anderson. A man by the name of Petter Jonson Walkow, living away at Marcus Hook, wished a seat here, for which he promised to pay three pounds to the church.

The 4. Hendrick Orrane, Hendric Tossa, John Tossa, Thomas Jones, Hans Halton, Eskel Hotten, Pahl Pahlsson, (at Raccoon Creek,) and Lasse Vainam.

The 5. Páhl (on Crane hook,) Hans Göstafsson, John Hopman, Mäns Hopman, Nicholas Hofman, Mäns Halton, John Seneke and Hendrick Bassman.

The 6. Simon Janson in Sakitko, Knutt Quist, Anders Gedson, Olle Nielson, John Hendrickson (at the lone tree) John Hendrickson Mekenny, Charles Hedge, Joran Orrane Andrew Frende and Lasse Hendrickson (from the other side.)

The 7. Vacant.

The 8. Vacant.

ON THE WOMENS' SIDE.

I. On the main aisle, first quarter;

The 1. Free for strangers, etc.

The 2. John Stalcop's wife, John Hanson's wife and the widow on Pumpkinhook.

The 3. Brewer Seneke, Matthias de Foss, Staffan Joranson and Hans Pietterson's wives.

The 4. Britta Peters and the wives of Charles Springer, Lucas Stedham and Peter Stalcop.

The 5. The widow of Jacob Clementz and the wives of Jesper Walraven, Hendrick Stobey and Jonas Walraven.

The 6. The wives of Richard Runels, Asmund Stedham, Conratt Constantine and John Mink.

II. The long pews on the north side between the pulpit and the door. The wives of Edward Menm, Jacob Van de Ver, Olle Thomas, Jacob Henderson, John Anders Cock, Hendrick Juarsson, Erick Erick and Joran Lyken.

III. Below the door the 2d quarter, 8 pews.

The 1. The widow of Jacob Van de Ver (on the island,) Petter Moun's mother and wife, and the wives of John Mouns, Cornelius Van de Ver, Wm. Van de Ver, Lasse Vinam, Pahl Petterson and Petter Petterson in Bokton.

The 2. Thomas Jones, Anders Hopman, John Tossa, Pahl Pahlson, Benedictus Stedham, Hendric Tossa, Edward Robbisson, and Joran Anderson's wives.

The 3. The widow Margetta (on Cranehook,) Savoi's widow and wives of Anders Seneke, Frederick Hopman, John Van de Ver, John Henderson from the other side, and John Henderson on this side of the river.

The 4. The widow on Sheephook, and the wives of Erick Anderson, Matz Petterson, Olle Tossa, Pahl on Cranehook and Matz Stark; and the young Karin Hendrick.

The 5. The widow of Israel Stark, and the wives of John

Hopman, Anders Hopman, Anders Frende, Mouns Halton, Hans Peitterson (from the other side,) and Michael Vainam.

The 6. Elizabeth Skaggen, and the wives of Anders Vainsam, Olle Franson, Petter Anderson, John Seneke and Olle Nielson.

The 7. The wives of Hans Gostafsson, Edward Matthew, Lasse Hendrick, Hans Halton, Petter Petterson (on the other side,) and Pahl Pahl at Rattcongs Creek.

In order that the reader or hearer may be informed how all has progressed from my first (through God's grace) coming here, and of the church being afterward called Christina congregation, with the proper churches beginning, progress and finishing of its cost of the distribution of the pews, and how finally a fortunate conclusion with regard to the glebe was achieved, how as to the distribution of the pews I took into account all the circumstances, comparing as well as I could what one and another had helped towards the building, either in money, dayswork, or other assistance, how they had shown themselves more or less willing when the work was on hand and pressed the hardest, when I knew whether they could or could not work, and how they were moved by the many admonitions and exhortations that I have given them both from the Word of God and other sources to incite them to the work.

And also how I had noticed that this or that one was more diligent to reverence God's house and come to hear His word, while others were negligent and lazy, and therefore ought not to have the foremost seats in the church which might for a half or a whole year stand empty, such and many like circumstances have been considered, and so far as I can see there has been no respect shown to person's standing or respectability. For I who was the nearest and specially observant, remarked that the church did come up by great promises

and many words, but next to God's help by money, labor, and other assistance.

And I often said when I needed help that I should remember them, when the church was finished and the pews were given out.

Therefore it could not be expected that it would be possible to please everybody, though glory be to God, very few so far as I could discover have been abusive to me. Especially was it hard to please those who had seldom heretofore been present, and therefore were ignorant of the ground on which the distribution had been made. Therefore I took up the business with good courage, and let those be ignorant who would not try to inform themselves.

And so therefore after taking out those who for their own lifetime only have taken pews which are marked on the edge of them, they are given out on the terms that the heads of families, and they that have now paid the first cost, and have worked for them, are to have their room, and if there be room to spare in a pew, or some of the parents are absent, the unmarried children may take seats, but otherwise take other room farther down in the church, and the small children stand in the aisle in front of their parents' pews, and after the death of a parent, only the children who remain attached to the house and land which have now contributed to the building, but they who have married away must look out for other places as opportunity may offer.

In the meantime it is always to be understood that he who will not keep himself a quiet and orderly member and hearer in the congregation, and will with obedience adhere to the rules and ordinances after due notice and admonition, and will not do his part for himself and

posterity, shall lose his room and shall not have it again unless he repent and come with a stipulated sum of money to purchase it again.

But if it should be so that the room has been for a long time empty and another has taken it, he must get a place somewhere else.

Any further matters may be left for the congregation to settle hereafter as circumstances may require, but all in good order and regularity.

We have now through God's grace and blessing, only begun to prepare the way. I hope that ye who now, or in time to come, learn or hear, will as a well grounded Christian, interpret all for the best. Yet I gladly take on myself the faults that at any time with all this may have happened, but all that is well done is to be ascribed only to God's grace and blessing. For the greater content and surety of posterity as to what is above related, the Honorworthy Churchwardens under whose Churchwardenship all this has been done, and happily brought to a consummation with me in behalf of the congregation. To their own honor and remembrance I have set down their names and marks:

At Christina,
at a general meeting
held the 14th of Oct., 1699,

ERICUS BIORK,
Servant of God's word in
Christina Congregation,

WILLIAM STOBEY,

His
BREWER V SENEKE
Mark.

CHARLES SPRINGER,

His
JACOB VAN X DE VER,
Mark.

His
JOHN X STALCOP.
Mark.

Oct. 14th, 1699.

At the general meeting, 1st. I read up everything from the first, beginning, since I through God's grace came here until this day, what had been done and taken place. Which as the present Churchwardens wished to be relieved of office they might the more safely sign their names to which they also did *as above.*

2nd. Chose other Churchwardens and they all stuck to Charles Springer for one on this side, as they could not get along without his assistance in the Church, and wished that he should remain in office so long as God should spare his life, or at least as long as he was able to attend to the business, and to him they elected Luloff Stedham and Pietter Mounson, and on the other side Staffen Juranson on Pumpkin Hook and Olle Parsons at Raccoon Creek.

3rd. We talked about the fence to the churchyard and it was concluded that during the coming year, 1700, they should prepare and bring forward the stuff.

And that it might certainly be ready, it was resolved that each one should bring forward 70 palings 5½ feet long, with rails for them 11 feet long, and posts 8 or 9 feet long, and if anyone would get 100 palings it would be so much the better.

4th. As it was all decided about the glebe, we talked about a building thereon and it was concluded that they on the other side of the river should cut and bring here all the timber, and they on this side should care for and carry forward the house building, for they on the other side could not conveniently be here at any such labor.

5th. Made a bargain with Pietter Mounson to sell him the 100 acres of land in Bokton, which was bought for a glebe, he to have it for 35 pounds, leaving the timber that was already cut thereon, for us, and this meeting therewith for this time was dismissed.

The 20th after Trinity or 22d of October on account of the necessity of the congregations engaging the well learned and proper person Swen Colesberg, to serve as bell ringer, promising him for the year 2 shillings and 6 pence, and more as we are more able to pay, but as he was by no means able to support himself on that pay we took him especially for a schoolmaster, and agree to gather for him 18 or 20 children, and he is to keep school for a half year at Petter Mounson's, which he in the Lord's name immediately began.

Church Warden, Charles Springer bargained with Church Warden Petter Mounson as follows:

Articles of agreement made, done and concluded by and between Petter Mounson of the one party, and Charles Springer of the other party as followeth:

Be it known, that I, Petter Mounson, doe acknowledge that I have bought a certain Tract of land namely 100 acres with all the conveniences thereunto belonging, lying and being upon Delaware river, Joining next unto my land, which Tract of land did formerly belong unto Hance Pietterson and Charles Springer and the rest of the Church Wardens, which then at that time were Church Wardens, did buy this aforesaid Tract of land for a minister to live upon which they did in the behalf of ye congregation, then ye Cranehook's congregation called. But when it pleased GOD of his mercy, that when our Reverend Minister arrived, and the Congregation did conclude to build ye Church upon Christeen, so was this land found altogether not convenient for a minister to live upon, and so with a common consent for to be sould. Which aforesaid tract of land with 13½ acres of marish and all ye convenience which thereunto doth belong. I Charles Springer as Church Warden and In ye behalf of ye congregation do sell this unto Petter Mounson for him and his heirs for to have and hold for ever, and for which aforesaid Tract of land, I, Petter Mounson doe oblege me and my heirs to pay unto Charles Springer or his assigns the full and just summ of thirty-five pounds in Silver Money, Twenty pounds of Silver Money to be paid at the 21st

of November, at which day Charles Springer doth oblige himself to make this aforesaid land over to Petter Mounson. If it please the Lord to permit him life and health, and the other fifteen pounds the said Petter Mounson is to pay at or upon ye 15th of September, 1700.

As witness our hands and seals.

Christeen ye 1st of November, 1699,

Signed, sealed and delivered in ye presence of us
ERICUS BIORK,
Minister of Christeen Congregation,
his
LUCAS L. S. STEDHAM,
mark.

his
PIETTER P MOUNSON.
mark,
CHARLES SPRINGER.

This year the 29th of November at mid-day, there came with a smacking breeze a ship up to Sandhook, and thereon finally the Proprietor and Governor William Penn from London came, who since he was here before, fifteen or sixteen years ago, had been yearly expected. His arrival was announced by firing ordnance from the ship. The people were thus notified who had rejoiced the country again with his presence.

The 2nd of December, came up my good friend Mr. Joseph Woodcock who came on the same ship with the Governor, and whose parents lived on the other side of the river near Salem, and after kind greetings he gave me a letter from the Swedish Minister resident in London, Herr Leyonkrona and from our good friend Mr. John Oriott with many letters from Sweden and specially from the Highworthy Father the Archbishop, Dr. Olaus Swebillius, with the unexpected gratification that his Royal Majesty King Carl XII. had upon our humble petition on behalf of the congregation sent over immediately a large number of books, though unbound, for the reason that his Majesty had learned from my letter that a large part of those that were sent at the first we did not get. Glory be to God who, etc.

Copy of the letter from the Archbishop—To the Christly and Honorworthy Congregation out of the Swedish Nation in West Indies, wishing herewith grace, peace and every possible blessing of God the Father through Jesus Christ.

I have received the Honorworthy Congregation's very worthy letter dated in Pennsylvania and Delaware river the 30th of November 1697, and therefrom I have learned with pleasure of their welfare and their hearty satisfaction with the worthy priests sent out there, and the grace and happiness enjoined which are mostly due under God's direction and Providence to the late, but now most worthy and blessed in Glory our ever, gracious former King's great zeal and desire for the extension of our evangelical religion. Whose untimely departure we dwellers in Sweden most sincerely do mourn, but comfort ourselves therein that the most High God has vouchsafed us in his place the late King's royal son the High mighty King Carl XII. whose reign be blessed.

As I have gathered the information from the letters of the priests sent out, that some of the congregation wish to have certain psalm books and other books, I have preferred this, their humble request, to His High renowned, our now reigning, most gracious King, according to the duty which always lies on me, to forward the welfare and best good of God's Church.

And so I assure the congregation's respective membership, that as his Royal Majesty in all other respects follows his praiseworthy royal father's honored example, so is his Royal Majesty none the less careful for the congregation's well being and the Christly religious protection, and with unusual carefulness to succor and provide for the highly honored congregations in America, instructing

His Majesty's council to take care to arrange so that the highworthy congregations so soon as possible should have teachers to comfort and instruct them, and also showed his Christly care for them in sending the desired books. For the rest in what may promote and conduce to the worthy congregation's upbuilding I shall do whatever lies in me and spare no pains so long as God grants me life.

In conclusion, I earnestly wish that God will be pleased to increase in you His knowledge and grace daily that you may grow therein, to whose gracious protection both in general and particular, I commend you,

And faithfully remain,

The Honorworthy and Christly,

Congregation's well wisher,

Upsala, OLAUS SWEBILLIUS

Dec. 26th, 1698. Archbishop of Upsala.

Copy of the Swedish Minister's letter from London:

To the Honorworthy and Highly Respected, Messrs. the Church Pastor with the Honorable born and Well esteemed Company of the Lutheran Congregation, on the river Ware, in the West Indies:

It has pleased His Majesty my Most Gracious King and Lord, graciously to send some spritual books to the Honor born and well esteemed Congregation in order that there might be nolack in whatever will conduce to to their own devotion and the Christian nurture of their children. His Majesty in all Royal duties follows fully the example of his late great High renowned Royal Father and in this particular has so followed in his footsteps and has graciously been pleased to remember the church, giving me most graciously directions to take

care that the desired books might be sent from here to the destined place; and so I have with much labor fulfilled my most humble duty conformably, and therewith I congratulate myself very much that I find so good opportunity to acknowlege and thank your Honorworthiness and the well born, and much respected congregation for their various, and to me very interesting letters which are come well in hand. And I sincerely wish that in some measure I may be able to be of service to them, here whereto they shall constantly find me always ready, and in the mean time and until some good opportunity offers I cannot refrain from recommending them in the best manner to Mr. Penn, who intends to go by this ship in which the books are sent over and which is named Canterbury, who has promised me that as much as possible he will attend to them, and I am persuaded that he will keep his promise. In conclusion, I wish your Honorworthiness and the Honorborn, and well respected congregation all, peculiar welfare and constant prosperity.

London, August 3rd, 1699. Your Honorworthiness and the Honorborn and Well Respected Congregation's Ever ready for Service, Servant,
C. LEYONKRONA.

The first of Advent I read the Highworthy Archbishop's and the Hon. Resident's letters from the pulpit with thanksgiving to God for His grace, and an exhortation to fear God, etc.

Copy of the Bill of Lading for the Books.—Shipped by the grace of God in good order and well conditioned

by Christoffer Leyonkrona in and upon the good ship called Canterbury, whereof is Master under God for this present voyage, Capt. Henry Trageny, and now riding at anchor in the river Thames and bound by God's grace for Pennsylvania.

One chest No. 1, one box No. 2.

Being marked and numbered as in the bill, and all to be delivered in the like good order and well conditioned at the aforesaid port of Pennsylvania, the dangers of the seas only excepted, unto Mr. Ericus Biork, Minister to the Swedish Congregation, or to his assigns, he, or they paying freight for the said goods at the rate of 15 shillings for the whole, with primage and average accustomed. In witness whereof, the Master or Purser of the said ship hath affirmed to three such bills of lading, all of this tenure and date, the one of which being accomplished, the other two to stand void. And so God send the good ship to her haven in safety. Amen.

HENRY TRAGENY.

Dated at London, August 4th, 1699.

MR. JOHN ERIOT'S LETTER.

LONDON, August 4th, 1699.

HERR MAGISTER ERICUS BIORK :—

Since my last letter of May 22nd, no letters from My Herr have been received, neither has any letter for Mons. come to hand from Sweden; all the letters received from Mons. are sent to Sweden under good address, and I hope they are now come well to hand. This is to enclose the acknowldgement to accompany over a chest and box of books which the Hon. President Leyonkrona received from Sweden, which the Herr President bade me consign to you. He sends many greetings

to the Mons. Herr Rudman and Herr Aureen and the same also from

Your humble servant,

JOHN ERIOT.

P. S.—Freight on these books must be paid by Mine Herr according to the contracts of the consignment.

The 5th of December I rode up to Philadelphia with Mr. Carl Springer to receive the book chest and box, which took place on the 7th of December. After which I with my colleagues Magister Andrew Rudman and Herr Aureen, with a large part of the upper congregation paid our respects to the Governor, who assured us Swedes that he would hereafter as he had heretofore done, show us all possible favor, and he also related to us the circumstances connected with the shipment of the books, &c.

For the transportation from England we paid 15 shillings, which is in the currency of this country 22 shillings 6 pence. They were all taken to Magister Rudman's house to be bound hereafter. In the box were two purses or sacks for our Church, about which I had written to my sister Magdalena Biork some time before, yet by no means expecting that her husband, my brother-in-law Gustaff Rudbeck, would be at so great expense and labor thereon as the work showed, they sending therewith a silver ferule and silver bell, with a turned red colored handle in three pieces, and each purse with my name thereon as a gift to me. I took one of them with me at once, and it was used in our Church the first time New Year's Day, 1700, and in the name of my brother and sister I gave it to Holy Trinity Church and Congregation for a New Year's gift, and as the congregation (composed of those on this side of the river only as they alone could be present at this time of the year)

got to know of it before hand, they showed their gratification therewith by contributing at the time in silver 3 pounds 10 shillings and 7 pence, and in copper 2 shillings and 8½ stivers, and so the Church not only was blessed with a New Year's gift from Sweden, but by its own congregation was enriched by a generous sum of money. Glory be to God for his grace and blessing.

The other purse I laid up, not wishing to have it used till the church was ready and consecrated *

*N. B.—Meaning the church at Wicacoe.

On Christmas day according to our Swedish custom and church directory, we held Oct. Song (*a.*) early in the morning, which should take place with lights.

Benedict Stedham, at my request, volunteered with the help of Swen Colesberg and Matz Tossa, to prepare four crowns of wood for which he with much pains sought for naturally crooked branches for light stands, each crown having 17 pipes or sockets. We delayed hanging them as he thought of getting some other and better ones in addition, but he immediately thereupon sickened and this was his last work. He was not able to be present at the festival when the day came, and finally died. I held him up as an example for the church, and related this and other small things that he was ever ready to do for God's house with gladness, without reference to his own work, even if it were behindhand. New Year's day 1700, we used for the first time the newly received purse or sack of which mention is made above.

There came upon us with the beginning of this year severe and contagious sickness, dysentery, which especially in Bokton and round about was very violent and many of our congregation died, but none on this side

a. Service of the actant or eighth day after a festival.

the creek. Those who finally lived through, remained afterwards, overwhelmed with all sorts of difficulties in their bodies, with pains and lameness which kept them down mostly till about Easter.

I used special prayers on account of it in the church, with exhortations and admonishing to a godly preparation.

The sickness was so severe and violent for a time that I could not be at home any day, and was doubtful when I left any sick, if I should find them living when I returned in the evening or following day

Finally, about Easter (God be praised) the scourge began more and more to hold up from us.

Pietter Mounson wished to alter his bargain with us for the purchase of the 100 acres of land, notwithstanding so plain a written agreement was made betwixt him and Mr. Charles Springer, and the sale ought to go forward instead of backward; yet, finally, for the sake of one and another reason which he gave as he was willing to contract anew, it was allowed to him and he made a new agreement which was written upon the first one as follows:

The contract for the land purchase on the other side is for various reasons given up, and Churchwarden Pietter Mounson, for a new bargain has promised to the Church 3 pounds, and then in the coming spring 2 pounds, and the remainder afterwards at a convenient time when he has paid up his brother John Mounson. Whereto he has set his hand in presence of witnesses.

His
PIETTER P MOUNSON.
Mark.

Christina Creek,
Feb. 19th, 1700.
Witness:
CHARLES SPRINGER.
His
JORAN X ANDERSON.
Mark.

When we agreed with Swen Colesberg to serve as bell-ringer and schoolmaster, we promised that in the spring we would cut timber for a house here by the Church for permanent use for such purposes; and sufficient timber was cut on the glebe wood lot, 43 pieces 20 feet long. But on account of the sickness and other hindrances, nothing was done further about it and the timber was never brought forward.

Early in May the school-keeping in Bokton was discontinued, partly on account of the above mentioned sickness and some other causes, particularly, that some inconsiderate persons neglected to keep their children steadily at school, though they were diligently and thoroughly taught, and so things did not proceed as they ought and the teacher got little for his pains.

And so he concluded that he would leave the business entirely, especialiy as the promise of the school-house had not come to any fulfillment, and he was, as it were, houseless.

In the meantime, there opened another way out through Joran Anderson, who, as he removed to another place, left his house to Swen Colesberg entirely free for a half year to keep school in, and with it a piece of land to plant, and Jasper Walraven, of his goodness to help forw rd what he saw was for the glory of God, viz., the education of the children, gave also, not only a piece of ground for cultivation, but also promised him free board for two months, which he stood to.

As Swen Colesberg could not for one and another hindrance begin his school-keeping right away, he undertook of his own free will to paint the windows and doors of the Church in which work he spent seven days, having two or three days of help, sometimes from Luloff Stedham's boys and sometimes from Asmund's, and As-

mund Stedham gave him free board while the work was in progress.

Holy Trinity Sunday I held evensong and I have resolved to do so through my time yearly, so long as God shall vouchsafe me health and strength as a mark of humble submissive thanksgiving for the grace and blessing of God to me unworthy, in the completion and consecration of our church, and also to go round with the purse for a thanksgiving offering, but in so doing I do not intend by any means to bind my successors to do so unless they of their own free will continue it, and this I said to the congregation when I gave the notice, and now briefly set down here.

The first Sunday after Trinity there was no Divine service here for the reason that the upper congregation at Wicacoe had finished their church finally by God's grace, and on that day was consecrated by me, Jesus' unworthy servant, with the text, 2nd Samuel's book, 8th chapter and 29th or the last verse. Therefore let it please Thee etc. and it was named The House of God's Glory as it would be in English, in Swedish Gud's Ahra's Huus, in Latin, Gloria Deii, which services were conducted with propriety in the presence of a great assembly both of our own people and of the English, and in their church book is plainly related how all was conducted and I for their sakes repeated in English as well as I could a short summary of what I had said in Swedish on the occasion.

The 10th of June in the name of the Lord, Swen Colesberg began his schoolkeeping for a half year at the above-named place, which may God bless for his Glory, etc.

The 21st of June or Midsummer's day there was held a general meeting of the congregation.

1st. We talked briefly of what stands written and had happened since the last meeting.

2nd. We talked about the churchyard, the congregation beginning to wish it laid out, so that each one might contribute according to his ability to finish it.

3rd. Promised to pay Swen Colesberg his salary as bellringer at least the half at the end of the half year and at the close of the year the remainder.

4th. That they should hasten with paying off the church debt, as the longer it stands the harder it will be.

The 24th of August, I with the church wardens Charles Springer, Luloff Stedham, and Petter Moun son, met with the widow of the late John Stalcop, Mrs. Annika, and I took her around and explained his intentions according to his word to me, expressed not only when he was in health, but also just before he died. We then began to lay out the church yard on the west end, beginning 22½ feet from the wall of the church, going thence obliquely to the bound of the old church yard, and thence, southerly to where an old church yard fence stood almost to the edge of the marsh, then eastward to the run or brook as we judged best and convenient, thence northerly as far up as my first, where the proper church walk should be, and then easterly over the brook to their own road. Upon the north side as the late John Stalcop gave just from the river wall of the demolished clap board lime house, we also measured it the same 22½ feet, which line we ran out easterly, but diagonally, more at the brook, for on the other side of the run, the north church yard fence should run up alike, so we also made it 22½ feet broad, coming by the two apple trees (of which the easternmost one is much decayed,)

not just up to the street but more out the north side, which the widow found herself satisfied with when Mr. Springer asked her.

October 19th, we had a meeting of the congregation.

1st. We read up the income and outgo since the last meeting.

2nd. Decided that a list should be made, and thereon should be marked all who will faithfully adhere to the congregation, and stand to whatever is necessary for the maintenance of the church and minister, and that the Archbishop may be duly informed how things go on here and how things stand, so that, in time, other ministers may be sent here when needed; if there is no order and good sense here none can be sent, and also that I may know what I am to expect and what I am to do, and whom I am particularly to look after and whom not to.

3rd. With regard to the back standing debt on the church, that the church wardens ought to take it in produce, yet in the right time, that it be not to their injury, it being delivered to them so that they may dispose of it to advantage.

4th. That the Priestland should now be cleared up and that the fencing that has been brought forward should be set up.

5th. I agreed to give a year's produce of the land to pay the cost, if they will take care to reap, thresh and sell it.

6th. We talked of my board with Lucus Stedham and I urged that he ought to be paid for the first year at least by the congregation, and that I should be released for that, whereupon a list was immediately made up by those present, some promising money and some wheat which they would carry to him.

7th. That those who were behind on the 2nd promise to John Stalcop of 20 pounds as first payment on the land ought immediately to pay, which amounts to about 9 pounds, for I have already paid the 20 pounds to John Hanson on the late John Stalcop's account.

8th. That we must write letters to Sweden, the one to his Royal Majesty King Charles, XII., and the other to the Archbishop, Dr. Olaus Swebillius both in thanks for their care and the gift of the books.

A. D. 1701.—May 10th, we held a meeting, but only of those on this side of the river.

1st. To look out a place for building a parsonage house.

2nd. Decided that the timber for the building should be of oak.

3rd. Agreement was made with Olle Tossa to sow half the Priestland on the following conditions, namely:

1st. I on my part to furnish half the seed.

2nd. I am to furnish a laborer to reap on my side, against a laborer on his side, and the seed on the land to be changed. We had for our witnesses, Mr. Springer, Asmund Stedham, Conratt Augustine, Jesper Walraven, Jonas Walraven, Pietter Pietterson in Bokton, and many others.

N. B.—As the Congregation on the above mentioned 10th of May, did not enough of them come together, so that we could properly decide upon what was necessary, those who were present requested me to give notice of another eight days after, and I did so, with the addition of some appropriate words which had the effect that on the 17th, they most of them attended. When,

1st. They subscribed together a paper pledging them-

selves firmly to adhere to and support the congregation.

2nd. About building, they decided that if they could not do the whole now, they would at once set up one and add the other to it afterward.

3rd. It was decided that the carpenters shall be Christiern Anderson, Hendrick Orrane, Eskell Hotton and Thomas Skrika, which four shall build it up two stories high, and then should be free until each one of the others shall have either added labor or money, an equal amount.

A. D. 1701, June 20th.—Upon the engagement of the widow Annika, the late John Stalcop's relict, at Christina, Thomas Pierson came to measure the 500 acres of land for us, and the Church wardens, Mr. Springer and Luloff Stedham were present, and had with them Christian Anderson and Matz Tossa to carry the chain, etc. The widow and I were along part of the time, but it was not finished that day, as the land measurer could not hit the right lines. It was postponed, therefore, till the 23rd of June, when the above named were there again, and with much labor the business was accomplished as well as it was possible to do it. The surveyor, Thomas Pierson, took upon himself to write the deed, so that it should be delivered over in Court which was to be held on the 24th of June, and the widow was present to deliver it, and Mr. Springer and Luloff Stedham to receive it on the part of the church, but as the deed was not just as it should be, in particular as to the number of acres and also as to the marsh which he did not get to measure, it remained unfinished.

Then it was reported that the widow claimed with regard to the bargain what was never heard of before, viz: that the words in the contract "half the Hook-

meadow'' should be understood to mean half of the 3 tracts of marsh the late John Stalcop then owned, which would be but 7½ acres in place of what we had always understood, viz: that it should be 10 acres, as 5 acres was always in the tract which belonged to the old land, so called Pickering land, and then we were to have half of the late John Stalcop's 10 acres which belonged to Christina, which half part is also 5 acres which the late John Stalcop promised us besides, because we said there was too little marsh for so much land, and so we were to have 10 acres in all.

June 24th, Midsummer day. We had a general meeting with the whole congregation, and

1st. All those from the other side of the river as many as were present subscribed their names, and also some from this side who were not present before.

2nd. Read up the income and outgo for the whole year.

3d. We resolved with regard to the out-standing debt which is in all for the Church and Priestland, 300 pounds Pennsylvania currency, that they will raise during the coming year and pay in a sum as near as possible to that amount, and they who do not pay in shall pay the interest on subscription, because it is not reasonable that those who shall have already paid should stand equally liable to pay the back interest which has been the case till now, thus keeping back payments on the principal. Those present subscribed as the list will show.

4th. My salary was made sure with a subscription therefor.

5th. We agreed that the bellman should be paid 2 sh. and 6 pence by each one.

6th. We consulted about laying out the church-yard, giving each one a place of burial, and that each one should set a mark around his burial place or lot.

7th. Talked of a Church chest in which the income of the Church should be put, and I relieved from the reckoning which is now burdensome to me.

8th. I am promised shingles for the Parsonage by those on the other side of the river.

9th. As it seems that Thomas Skrika succeeds poorly at carpentering, being hired by Brewer Seneke on his part, therefore will have nothing to do with Brewer Seneke if he will not set his hand to like the others, and either Thomas Skrika or himself must do as the other three are doing.

Then Mr. Springer and Luloff Stedham took hold together to build, as they neithar of them could be from home so constantly as the others who were unmarried.

10th. It was resolved that as some come to the meetings and some stay away, so that nothing can be decided upon, the few who do come loosing their day, and if they resolve on anything, those who stay away will not agree to it, saying, "I was not there, and that those who have agreed to a thing may carry it out," and such like unreasonable words are put in circulation therefore that they who without weighty reasons are absent, shall forfeit to the Church 6 shillings.

11th. We had some talk about asking a price for marrying, and it was thought that I ought not to do it for nothing, as for one and another reason I have done thus far.

Michaelmas Day, A. D., 1701. General meeting:

1st. We read up the income and outgo from midsummer to this day.

2nd. Talked further of the parsonage building.

The sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, which fell on the 9th of Oct., I finished in the Lord's name the reading of the New Testament by chapter, for the first time which

I began when I first came here, and I began at the Prophet Isaiah, that I might the sooner finish the Old Testament.

Oct. 11th, 1701. — Thomas Pierson and Charles Springer and Asmund Stedham met to lay out the marsh which should belong to the glebe, but did not accomplish anything that day, but on the 7th of Nov. Thomas Pierson finished this work of running out the three separate pieces. The first line betwixt the 5 acres belonging to the old land, or the so-called Pickering land, the second betwixt the Pickering land and John Stalcop's own land, and the third separaing John Stalcop's 10 acres in two parts, of which one should belong to the Pickering land sold to us. Marked trees are in the corner of the marsh and then the division is marked with stakes. This day Hendrick Orrene and Hendrick Pahlson were along to bear the chain, and except them none but me.

On the 16th of Oct., the priest-house was finally begun by Mr. Springer, Christiern Anderson, Eskell Hotton and Hendrick Orrene, which house is within the walls 27 ft. 9 in. long and 20 ft. broad. I meant to have had it at least 30 ft. long and 25 ft. broad, as I ordered the timber, but when we began upon it we found the timber very irregularly cut, so that it was difficult to find enough sticks to make it the above length and breadth. It went forward very happily, God be praised, and without any accident, though hindered by some rainy weather, and they finished the two stories high, the 22nd of Nov., at mid-day.

Mr. Springer and Luloff Stedham were on the corner on the east side northerly, alternately, as they could be from home. Hendrick Orrene was on the south corner only; in the last week he had Joran Skrika in his place

on the west side and south corner. Eskell Hotton from the beginning to the end; on the other corner Christiern Anderson, but only the first part as toward the end he was hindered by other engagements, but in the meantime he had various others at his own expense who carried on the work. These people were all boarded by Mother Hustru Britta, on the old land, the time being eight weeks and two days, though it is to be noted that Luloff Stedham was only boarded 14 days, and the rest of the time he kept himself.

For this maintenance there was reckoned for Mrs. Britta 1 pound, 4 shil. as her part toward the house, but for the remainder she ought to be paid.

November, 26th 1701.—A meeting of those on the other side of the river at Jacob Van de Ver's.

1st. With regard to the shingles which were promised at the former midsummer day meeting, which promise has not been performed, and which was the principal reason for this meeting with them.

I talked with them about it so they promised 5000 shingles which Mr. Stobey promised to furnish, and all who were present contributed each his 3 shillings except the late Staffan's son, on Pumpkinhook, gave 4 shillings.

2nd. I talked with them about the timber which was intended for the Parsonage, and urged that it should be taken over, and not lie and rot.

3rd. That they should make up my salary for the coming year either in money, or wheat.

4th. The money for the bellringer which was promised to be delivered to Mr. Stobey, to whom I had them pay my dues on salary, and also what they had promised for the church.

5th. As Hans Stahl was engaged to keep school for

a year in Rattcong creek, I advised them to go there every Sunday and Holiday to hold Divine service, as I had written to Hans Stahl about it, and had left my postilla on the epistles by Lukerman to read to them which was all I had.

March 21st, 1702. The surveyor, Thomas Pierson came to thoroughly correct and finish the measuring of the woodland as it from one or another error came 5 acres short which he now admitted, and I and Luloff Stedham were there and John Matz Smith's son to bear the chaim, and Mr. Springer assisted, as Matz Smith at this time was hindered and so there is an end of this land measuring as one hopes.

About May 1st, particularly about Easter-tide, there was a report of irregularity and foolishness among that part of my congregation on the other side of the river, Jersey side so called, purporting that they are minded to break off from me and the Church on this side, taking a minister for themselves after their own will, and uniting with them on the other side of Rattcong Creek, who belong to Wicacoe congregation, and with whom we have had no connection since I came here in any church or congregational matters, nor they with us.

The cause of this was a Priestman by the name of Lars Tolstadius, who on his own responsibility about a month before Christmas 1700, had come over with the intention of taking the place of Magister Rudman, as he knew that he had written requesting to be recalled to Sweden, but he had come without any authority from the King or Archbishop for any such charge or appointment, yet through his malevolence and misrepresentation he was received in Magister Rudman's place, though only for a half year i. e., until May, until Mr. Rudman and the Church should become more certain about him,

for when he was asked for his pass he said he had left it in York, and under the pretext that the Archbishop's commission was left with it, he was received. But now what happened! Fourteen days before Easter, 1701, there came the true and accredited exchange from the King, (or the King's Council in Stockholm for the King himself was in the war against Russia and Poland,) and from the High Worthy Father Dr. Erick Bezelius.

His name was Andreas Sandall, of whom we had knowledge before.

They then learned the whole history of Tolstadius' management, his departure from Sweden, how it stood with him there, why he could not get a commission from the Archbishop, and more such like which was all circumstantially written.

Herr Tolstadius was much troubled and changed by his coming, and had to relinquish his place to Mr. Sandell, who was the one duly authorized for it, but notwithstanding the manner of his behaviour, there were some of the congregation at Wicacoe that were befooled by Tolstadius.

He having thus tricked the 25 pounds from Magister Rudman, now knew hardly what next to do with himself, but finally caused it to be reported that he had resolved to go back to Sweden, but this was soon seen to be far from his intentions, for some on the other side of the river who belonged to the Wicacoe Church began to hang to him and he to them. So he loitered as long as he could with his journey to York, to take ship until he could conveniently go over to them. Then he was very decided to go to Sweden, and came to Magister Rudman and requested of him a testimonial as to his behavior here, and he will immediately take his depart-

ure, only he will go as quickly as he can to Passayunk for his things. Magister Rudman bade him go then and in the mean time he would write it, for Tolstadius must come back that way as he wished to send by him letters to the Dutch Lutheran Church in New York, for Magister Rudman had on their two invitations promised himself to them for a year's service. But Herr Tolstadius will by all means have the testimonial immediately. Magister Rudman gave it to him but expected him back directly from Passayunk. But a canoe lay there ready with folk to take him as soon as he came, and carry him over to the other side of the river with whom he immediately went.

Then among other things, he used Magister Rudman's writing to induce the people across the river to cleave to him, misusing it to lead the ignorant folk more and more into foolishness.

He promised them to preach and hold Divine service notwithstanding he had before in the general meeting at Wicacoe, when he was dismissed, been admonished and warned not to commit any offence or scandal whether he stayed on this side or went upon the other, but to take himself a school and refrain from preaching, and especially not to run into that part of my congregation at any rate without getting my consent, but Tolstadius gave no answer to the admonition and paid no regard to it, but after having preached in that part of the Wicacoe congregation, began to come into the part of my congregation at Rattcong Creek during the Easter holidays, and as far down as Jacob Van de Ver's to preach, though entirely without my permission.

So as I observed that the people did not come over to the Easter Festival, and was questioned by one and another with regard to the fuss and turmoil, I sat down

and wrote a letter privately to Tolstadius, asking him why he so conducted himself, not saying the least word to me, and pointing out to him the various things he was doing contrary to his calling, and his Priestly oath, and warning him and conjuring him to cease from such doings, through which he may be assured that the foolish folk would suffer great damage and shame.

Then I wrote to the people reminding them of their obedienceto me, and showing them that they cannot take for their minister whomsoever they choose, and that they are to remember that they wrote in connection with those on this side for a minister together, and to support in common for both sides, and to heed the shame and injury that their doings would cause in Sweden with the authorities for a long time to come.

The Church Warden, Mr. Springer went over with these letters Saturday evening and met Herr Tolstadius at Jacob Van de Ver's on Sunday, and performed his errand according to my directions, and added what he himself knew, and how the whole matter from the beginning hung together. But as I saw that this would not be sufficiently effectual, I requested furthermore that they should meet me at the same place the 2nd Sunday after Trinity Sunday, and that this Herr Tolstadius should be there to give his reasons for so conducting himself.

I went over there, held service, but my good Herr Tolstadius came not, and so the business did not turn out as I wished, but I stated to the people circumstantially the whole matter in question as in the following points:

1st. That they on this side, Jersey side so called, had along with them on the other side, where now the Church and Priest-gard are, wrote for only one Priest for themselves as did the congregation at Wicacoe write for one

for themselves, and our commission so reads, and we were so accredited and received, and therefore they ought not to impose upon us in this way nor upon the authorities in Sweden who have sent us over at their own expense on account of their letter to them.

2nd. That they should not forget the grace of God aboundingly shown to them in the most worthy remembrance of them by the King Carl XI., and also by the late Archbishop Dr. Olle Swebilliu-, and furthermore by their successors, King Charles XII., and the Archbishop Dr. E. Benzelius, and their care for their eternal welfare.

3rd. That they had made an agreement among themselves on both sides of the river, as my congregation, that the church should be on the west side and that the minister should live here as formerly, and that they on the south side should adhere to this side till the church should be in good condition, (and that was why so much was undertaken,) and when afterward they so increased and prospered that they could maintain a separate minister, the people from the west side should help them as much again for their church building, and join in a request for a minister from Sweden,—to be sent by the proper authorities.

But it was never agreed that part of the congregation on that side should unite themselves with that part above Raccoon creek belonging to Wicacoe's congregation, as we have never had anything to do with them, nor they with us in any such business. But if it had been so, they should have written for three Priests direct.

But they must not engage one without the Highworthy Archbishop's permission and so lose their credit in Sweden, which now seems likely to happen, and gives

me anxiety on their account by reason of this Tolstadius' coming in and intrusion.

And, moreover, the authorities in England have given permission but for two churches, and now can you make them three by taking one who has no such proper authority, as we have with the King's hand and seal, which is necessary for us all.

5th. To be careful for if they now receive one who comes from Sweden without a proper call, and without the King's and the Archbishop's authorization and commission, they may not expect that another time one will be sent to them when needed if they now so thoughtlessly proceed and take whoever they fancy, whatever kind of a tramp he may be.

And moreover in case the authorities should wish to send anyone, there would be no one found who would risk such a hazardous journey, for fear that some interloper would in the meantime be received and their own authorization and appointment not be respected.

And that they should not so soon cast behind the back the dangers which I as well as Mr. Rudman, had dared on their account and for their salvation in coming over to this country, and also since I have been in danger both of my life and honor, if Satan's wiles had had their course, and also that I have given for the common good all that I have received in order that their burdens should not fall too heavy on them, and now that they should reward me with such unthankfulness as to let another whoever he may be, cast his sickle in my field, I concluded by assuring them, that if they persisted in these inconsiderate proceedings I should nevertheless still continue to work for their advantage and would favor them if need be, with his Majesty and the Archbishop in Sweden.

But they must not receive anyone without due authority and proper testimonials, and thus be favored hereafter as they have been thus far, and any application or proceeding ought to be by me, who though unworthy yet by God's grace am come here. I know the circumstances of the congregation both in general and particularly better than themselves, and that they are not yet by any means able to support a minister by themselves, for they are not yet much stronger than when I first came here to this country.

This seemed to weigh with some, but there were found enough stiff-necked and obdurate ones to render it of no avail, so that the talk was, they will, and they shall have a Minister. I answered them that nobody has said they should not have one, but that they must proceed orderly and reasonably and in the usual manner as it ought to be done. And the church should be somewhere from Rattcong Creek to Pumpkinhook so that those out beyond Chestnuthook and Pumpkinhook would not be left out, which would happen if they on Rattcong Creek and round about, unite with those on the other side of Rattcong Creek belonging to Wicacoe, with whom we have had no connection.

They alleged their hardship of coming over the river etc., and I answered that they should have taken that into consideration before sending for a minister. I bade them come to the general meeting on midsummer day according to the yearly custom, that we might talk further, which they promised to do.

After that Tolstadius went to New York with a letter to Sweden, written to have him appointed as their minister, with a list of their number, and was away from them for five or six weeks, on account of various misfortunes

which befell him. I wrote to the Archbishop, immeditely, giving the details of the whole business from the beginning to the end, with their allegations, &c., and an answer to whatever pleas made by them so far as they had come to my knowledge, dated June 29th, 1702, which was immediately sent on Messrs. James & Hercules Coutts' vessel.

June 24th, 1702.—Midsummer day—When only two or three from the other side came partly on account of bad ferriage and mostly perhaps from unwillingness.

In this meeting the following matters were considered on:

1st. Read the income and outgift.

2nd. Paying off the debt of which very little had come in either, of principal or interest, which was promised on the last year's midsummer day meeting, 1701.

3rd. That therefore, we should now divide the whole sum among us to be paid certainly in the course of two or three years, with grain or money, and as not all were present at the past midsummer meeting, 1701, and promised in order that those who promised then, and have paid some shall not suffer wrong, there should be so much deducted from the sum set to be paid in 1704 in the case of each of them.

4th. Then we talked about the movement made by the other side to separate from this side.

5th. Of righting up my salary, and that they bring freely and faithfully, and ought all to give something yearly.

6th. Righting up the bellman's salary.

7th. Of the building on the glebe.

When Herr Tolstadius finally came back, he went on as before, and I again by letter, earnestly represented to him what a disturbance he was causing not only betwixt

these on both sides of the river, but among them on the Jersey side which belong to my congregation, for they are differing among themselves about the Church place which ought by all means to be between Rattcong Creek and Pumpkinhook, and that he personally may be sure of many a sigh and lament over the disturbance he has produced, exhorting and adjuring him, &c., &c.

I appointed a meeting again at Jacob Van de Ver's on Bartholomew's Mass day, that he might meet me there and give his reasons for his conduct, when if he should himself be ignorant, I would indeed impart to him what he might need, for I knew how it stood with him.

Bartholomew's day I went over where they were gathered and Herr Tolstadius with them. I saluted him but nothing more. In the meantime, while the people were assembling and I had not yet begun Divine service, he called me out to walk with him, which I did, and earnestly by word of mouth labored with him and asked why he behaved so. He yielded, acknowledged his fault, prayed me to be lenient with him, and promised to stop his proceedings. I answered him that I am easy to be persuaded, but if he continued to be perverse, he should be sure to hear from me, and find me otherwise inclined, because I had a full commission and appointment and he had nothing.

Therefore, he need not think that I would let slip out of my hands in this manner, what God and the proper authority had committed to me. That I did not do it for the money, of which very little is contributed. I told him that I could not get ten pounds from them all in a year to pay for a piece of land at Rattcong Creek. I bade him be quiet and wait for his commission, and then he would come in with more honor and I should be satisfied. Then I went in and held Divine service and

afterwards talked with them plainly of the whole matter, during which Mr. Stobey came forward and said that I had accused Tolstadius so and so, and I answered that I would gladly see that matter not mentioned, but that I would stand to my word, yet, if Herr Tolstadius would from now henceforth be altogether quiet, I would be mild as I could.

Then they brought forward a writing of which I had always heard talk, but knew myself never to have seen a copy of which was given them in English, when I first came, and some of them were together from both sides of the river to decide on the place for a church at which time I was not present by reason of sickness at that meeting at Christina. The purport of the writing is, that they should now help build the church on this side and that then again that they should be helped by this side to build when ever they should be strong enough to maintain a teacher for themselves.

In reply to this I said to them that they were not yet able, and a church was not yet in order, and it was not proper for them to join with those on the other side of Rattcoon Creek, for we have never had any connection with them, and moreover they have the same understanding with them at Wicacoe as our people on this side had with those on the west side. The agreement among ourselves was, that when our folks from Rattcong creek down to Pumpkinhook became able of themselves to support a Priest, they should have a church, and so the bond was written.

But as matters stand now they cannot get their money again, and at the same time their pews in the church at Christina will be lost to them, and I will by no means set my hand to any letter to Sweden for

them, for inasmuch as I have come over to them, I will not suffer them to do as they please with me.

They answered that they thought they should have it, and I replied never laying it down, that if they get ten Priests they shall pay me their yearly dues, so long as none of them can show any such calling and authority as I have. Because their hands stand under the letter to Sweden the same as the hands of them on the west side, and therefore was I sent, and therefore did I come.

That they must not think to fool the whole authority nor deal with me, since I am come over as suits their fancy, for that shall neither do them nor their children any good. That I have never opposed their having a minister on the east side, whenever it can be brought about in an orderly and proper manner, but it must be done right, with a minister properly commissioned from Sweden, and the church must be composed of those below Rattcong Creek and down to Pumpkinhook, but not to split off after anyone to their great injury and damage.

We then separated with the understanding that Tolstadius should not meddle with them any more. I bade them to consider well and support one well first and pay yearly what they had promised, before they attempt to take another and then deal in like manner with him.

Soon after, Tolstadius was taken sick, and after he was somewhat better he came down to me at a wedding at Pumpkinhook, and there earnestly renewed our former agreement, to the effect that he will not meddle with them until the decision comes from Sweden, either in answer to his, their or my letter, only asking that he might baptize children, which indeed I could not refuse,

on account of danger of sudden death and especially now in the winter, but that he was by no means to preach betwixt Rattcong creek and Pumpkinhook. He asked that he might, on the next Sunday, resign his services to them, and I assented to that but nothing more. He did this at Jacob Van de Ver's, and Jacob Van de Ver a short time after ingeniously repeated the discourse to me. As he was not fully recovered he fell into a relapse and was very dangerously sick, so that he himself thought nothing else than that he should take his departure, being speechless for some days at his lodgings on the other side of Rattcong creek.

The 23rd of October, 1702.—I held a meeting with them on this side which we have been accustomed to hold earlier, but this year it was postponed on account of my wedding and so only this was held

1st. That because the people will not be united and help to finish the lingering parsonage house, I am now, on account of circumstances, which the dear God has been pleased to place me, necessitated to remove farther from the church instead of, as I trusted, on account of all my labor and all my weary footsteps to have come nearer.

So I have concluded with myself not to vex myself so much about it, but will only ask that they will do so much as to bring home the timber which was cut for a schoolhouse, and with that timber build a barn for me to thresh the grain in, which I have put there in stacks at my own expense. This first year's increase the congregation would take care of and get away for me if they had the good will toward me that the upper congregation have towards Mr. Sandell, who, so far, has not had so hard times as we, who first came.

2nd. That as I learn more and more, to look a deal

farther than the teeth, and realize their cold heartedness towards me, I have made up my mind that if they will not do better and let me have my support without in vain coming to one meeting after another, and only some few take hold of the burden, while I am on duty at all times and occasions, so they shall find me and that soon otherwise disposed, and they shall come to Church in vain, etc., and I then read a letter just received from Herr Thellin (*a*) in which he says it pains him to hear what he has heard of the congregation's behavior and negligence, wishing them better hearts and expressing the fear that such conduct may grieve those in Sweden who have interested themselves so much for them, and also that the hearts of the authorities may be quickly turned away from them, if they thus neglect and set themselves against their teachers.

3d. How the Church debt shall be shared, and if we shall defer making up a list of subscribers till they on the other side will help or see to it, that we each one do his very best, so that they on the other side shall have nothing to claim or grumble about it further.

If we can make the number up to 50, and each give 6 pounds by Midsummer day, 1704, the 300 pounds principal would be all paid off.

The decision with regard to the first point was, that they would rather put a roof and floor to the parsonage house, and to thresh there this winter, than begin on the other building and not finish it.

So it was agreed with Eskill and Hendrick Orrane that they should undertake to do the roof both together for 5 pounds, all necessary stuff to be provided in addition to what is there already, and should be brought forward by those who have promised, viz: shingles, lath, rafters, &c.

a. It was through Thellin that the King & Ecclesiastical authorities were informed of their desire for these clergyman and to him they wrote their promises.

As to the 2nd point they promised me sympathy and support by words and resolutions, and especially Mr. Springer and Asmund Stedham promised to go round right away from house to house, and with sharp earnestness, get an account of all who will hold themselves honorably to pay what they ought to the Church and to me, and thus prove how God will prosper their intentions.

As to the 3rd point they hesitated about the decission, and were inclined to wait for information from the other side, if any of them still held themselves here, and so our payment be lightened. But I said it would be better for them to do their utmost, as I would not set down any exact list of them more; and if it is so that any adhere to us here, we shall learn it when it will be needful to our assistance.

Mr. Springer and Asmund Stedham undertook then to go from house to house to take obligations of each one for their contribution, which was made out that year 1702, on the 7th, 8th, 9th, 12th, 15th, and 16th of December.

The 23rd Sunday after Trinity, November 10th, I had given notice for gathering on the other side of the river at Jacob Van de Ver's to preach, Tolstadius being long sick, and they did not take the trouble to come over and thus had no opportunity to hear God's word, which perhaps has been partly from shame. If they will not come over I will still care for them as I ought, though they as undutiful and unthankful children, set themselves against me as if I wish them injury.

I intended to bring forward somewhat of the old business again, but when I came there I found only eight persons present. I was greived over such foolishness, and that they conducted themselves so thoughtlessly, and

would not come to hear God's word from me, and they cannot effect anything by such means.

So I left it to those present to relate to the others when they should meet them, the following things.

1st. That I wished to know for certainty who will hold themselves to Christina and who not. That they who will, shall have their pews reserved, the others not, and this shall be ascertained by one and another going from house to house, to take down the names in writing of those who will adhere to me surely, and what they will give towards the payment of the debt, and towards my support.

They who have their pews retained for them are obligated in requital, to give yearly something for the support of the church and minister, and if they do not, they ought to sell it to some one that needs it, through whom the church and Priest shall be helped to their support, and those who withdraw from the church and do not fulfil their obligations, need never speak of having their money again, nor having their pews retained, for it is not reasonable that they should stand empty on their account.

4th. That they who are behind in their payments for their first and second promises for the Church, are bound to pay as well as the others, i. e., on this Jersey side, for they will have the name as well as the others, that they helped to build Christina Church.

5th. To gather in my dues which are back for many years. While I was there at that time it was told me that they at Rattcong Creek and around there, had met with them on the other side of Rattcong Creek, and agreed upon a churchplace and a church building and such like, and so those on this side of the creek have not waited

for what was agreed upon, viz.: to hold still until they receive an answer from Sweden, which defection would not have taken place if Herr Tolstadius had not offered his services therein, which was contrary to his stipulation with me, viz.: not to meddle with them between Rattcong Creek and Pumpkinhook till he got such authority from Sweden as he ought to have thereto.

That this has been in great part the fault of Herr Tolstadius (for had he refused them his services and reminded them of the agreement and bade them be quiet, the defection would not have taken place,) I became more and more of the opinion, as I soon after received a letter from Mr. Sandell, saying that he was on the other side and met Herr Tolstadius and had a conference with him, when he, among other things, denied that he had resigned his service to that part of my congregation on that side contrary to what is above related.

Then I decided to write to him again of the scandal he had caused, in place of which he should have helped to hold the people in order and obedience. And that he should consider what he had undergone so recently. And I furthermore said to him, that these transactions would by no means be a sign of his right call, and it was shameful to so behave and to represent and answer that he had not resigned them when he never had honorably had them, &c., &c., committing the whole matter to the Chief Shepherd Jesus, who now as heretofore, will have the best care for His Church that he may set me right if I improperly oppose what I ought to set forward, which was dated Dec. 15th, 1702.

And as I heard that Mr. Wholley Stobey had had his hand in the broth at Rattcong Creek, I met him afterwards and gave him what he needed, with the advise to

be careful what he did, for the people depended much upon him, because they were continually asking small favors of him, and for the most part were in his debt, and he must consider that he has more wisdom than they, and being with them a native of that part of the country, he knows what they are taking upon themselves, and that he should not bring in and misuse his English customs in our church matters, which we have nothing to do with, and that such a course will not procure them ministers hereafter from Sweden, and that greater responsibility thus rests upon him and he will be more blamed than any other one will be.

I also read to him the newly received letter and reminded him that the agreement was betwixt the people, me and Herr Tolstadius, bidding him to salute Herr Tolstadius and say to him that with respect to his denial, I will have him called to account, when I will let him know what I have to do with it.

The people from around Jacob Van de Ver's down around to Pumpkinhook were now in uncertainty and much troubled, for they could not have any advantage from the church over Rattcong Creek, especially in the winter, nor either of this at Christina.

I bade them thank Herr Tolstadius and the others for their situation, they not having been faithful and honorable to them, nor fulfilled their promises and resolutions, but in the meantime, to be of good hope and pray God graciously to turn all things for the best to His glory and the upbuilding and prosperity of the church.

New Year's day, 1703, I read the whole list of those who have given obligations in writing towards paying off the church debt with various things connected therewith, which the list in five points shows.

1703, on the 17th and 18th of June, Mr. Charles Springer and Asmund Stedham took on themselves the trouble to go over to them on the other side of the river, to thoroughly learn their minds, and if they were not affected by what had so often been set before them, and to know certainly who had fallen off and who had not, and to make up their reckoning as to what they had promised towards my support.

They found that all from Rattcong Creek down to Jacob Van de Ver's had fallen off, but from Jacob Van de Ver's, himself included, all down, to Chestnuthook and Pumpkinhook adhered still to Christina.

Midsummer day this year we held the usual meeting of the Congregation and read up the income and outgift but did nothing of any consequence besides, and this year we discontinued the general meeting at Michaelmastide as we did not find it necessary anymore as neither the income or outgift are so great as formerly.

Those on the other side who still held to us, were yet mostly indifferent and tardy in coming over to church, laying the cause now upon one thing, then upon another, but the amount of it was finally, that they wished me to come over and preach to them; they wished me to come every 2nd or 3rd Sunday and so on. And I answered them in part that I was not so sent nor so came here, neither could I do it, but will come oftener over, if they will have more care to get me there and back, for the reason that I came over so seldom was, that I did not find such willingness to help me as I found, the first year. I promised them to come over in three weeks and give them the chief festival, with now and then a Sunday, and that they in the meantime should try to come over to church between times, and it should be under-

stood that they should engage some one to set me over each time so that I may take care of my time and make the most of it.

Monday after the 22nd Sunday after Holy Trinity, which was the 25th of October, I went over the river and with Jacob Van de Ver rode up to Rattcong Creek and around about there, doing what I never before had done, namely, asked for what—for so many years before—my annual payment was in arrears—according to the reckoning which Mr. Springer and Asmund Stedham's summary stood against that side, which I demanded, and will have according to their promise for my support, until he whom they run after shall show such commission and authority as I have, inasmuch as they on that side as well as these on this side have written together for a minister. And so soon as Herr Tolstadius can get a true commission to be a minister of a congregation, I will gladly give in.

Some admitted that it was entirely right, and could therefore give no other answer than that it was too hard to have to pay two. I answered that it is your fault and not mine. Some were however more foolish and especially Hans Lucasson.

At the same time on Thursday, the 28th day of October, St. Simon and St. Jude's day, I preached at the late Powel Jaquettes place for them who have not fallen off from me, as the place lies somewhat central among them, when I discussed somewhat the above mentioned business and said that I would give in free the first year, but that I could not promise more for fear that it would fall too heavy on me; and if Herr Tolstadius could in the meantime get the proper credentials from Sweden, very well.

This was agreed to by most of them with here and there an exception, and among the latter Pietter Lucasson was superlatively foolish, who however had not for four or five years been in unity with the Church, and got an answer suitable to the circumstances reprimanding him, and he came soon after and asked forgiveness.

And this was the understanding betwixt us, and Swen Colesberg was engaged to set me over for the year for pay.

A. D. 1704.—This year I changed the promise made by me that for my life-time I would hold Evensong on Holy Trinity Sunday to Octsong, as I found the time will be too long for some to tarry for Evensong, and I have decided to hold Octsong yearly, hereafter.

This year's general meeting was held the Saturday before Midsummer day, which was the 17th of June, when,

1st. Was shown the income and outgift for the year 1703.

2nd. Talked again about enclosing the church yard, and some were in favor of a dyke around it and then two or three railings as is commonly done would be a sufficient fence, and sow grass seed on the dyke and plant trees on one side thereof, but some wanted to make a worm fence around it for the present, and it stood at that.

2d. How to keep it cleared, as trees and bushes yearly grow up, whereupon it was resolved that at a convenient time, I should give notice that on a Saturday all should come with axes and hooks to clear it off, and that this shall be done immediately after the most hurrying time of harvest is over.

3rd. That I had heard that certain persons talked of

decreasing their payments to me, instead of which they ought to consider my circumstances and increase it. And especially if they who live near the church and can always come wish to diminish, what can be expected but that those who live further away will diminish more.

I bade them remember that a part of those on the other side as they knew had separated from us, and consequently my pay was decreased, and that I live unhandy to the church, and cannot get them to finish the Priest-house, but I did not wish to press them hard for money which was hard to get hold of, with much more that I bade them consider and reflect upon.

4th. The election of a new church warden in the place of the late Luloff Stedham, and I, with those present, decided to elect his brother Asmund Stedham, because he had already shown in certain things, his carefulness and untiring affection for the best good of the church, congregation and minister, as is shown by the church book. As also he lives near the church and must always be called upon for assistance in many things, and is well worthy and fit for the office.

5th. Sunday after Trinity I gave notice for the clearing of the church yard for the next Saturday, which was done.

A. D. 1705, March 3rd We held a Parish meeting when they came together as usual, but for the most part the elderly people. Then I earnestly remonstrated with them and said to them, that they must see themselves that they very illy used me, in not performing what they had promised; not preparing that house for me as they ought to have done, but still I have as it were, and consequently, to be at expense as I ought not to

be, and now must be new-housed again if I can get one, and therefore they should get it ready or sell it, for I had a difficult task to get the land, and yet have no advantage from it, etc. etc.

Hereupon they decided to begin to go on again with energy and they subscribed 700 feet in addition to those already sawed, viz: Brewer Seneke 100 feet, James Seneke 100 feet, Matthew Petterson 100 feet, Edward Robinson 100 feet, Pietter Stalcop 100 feet, Pietter Mounson 100 feet, Gilbert Walraven 100 feet, which Matz Pietterson and James Senexson were to contract for and measure at Empson's mill at the quickest. Again we talked of the fencing of the church-yard, and I said if they did not make it ready by Easter I would hold no service, nor celebrate any festival until I saw it finished as I perceived them to be so miserably negligent about it when they might so easily do it.

We consulted about the brick-making and concluded that Pietter Hanson at Sandhook should be conferred with about it, as he owed a bill to the church and could pay it in that way.

Third Sunday after Easter I asked the congregation out before the church to confer about the brick-making, which also took place.

Then I reminded them of the church-yard fencing, and what I promised in the meeting next before Easter, if it was not ready before Easter, and there are three weeks gone since, and I assured them that I would keep my word.

They asked for still further delay till Whitsuntide to have it finished. The next week we went to the old land to look out a place for the brick-making which place was selected, and Pietter Johnson promised to

come, but fooled away the whole summer for us and did not come at all.

The 2nd Sunday after Holy Trinity Sunday, it was given out that Herr Tolstadius invited us to come to the Church consecration at Rattcong Creek the next coming Sunday but as he has done that and everything else that he has been concerned in; on his own responsibility, and disorderly, I said that I should use my own discretion and judgment in the matter and will not go there but others may do as they please. But at any rate it is our duty to pray God and desire that His Church may proceed in due order according to his word.

This year we held no midsummer meeting as I found that it was not necessary, for the income was very small indeed, and very few people came together, but Churchwardens Mr. Springer and Asmund Stedham looked over the church accounts.

At the close of this year there arose a shameful report about Herr Tolstadius, that he had a child with a girl in Rattcong Creek, Olle Parson's unmarried daughter Catharine, which proved more and more true, and caused sharp language betwixt him and his hearers, many of whom had been bitterly opposed to me before, now were ashamed and acknowledged their foolishness, and that I told them the truth when they broke off with me.

I leave to God, the All-wise, to judge if this was not a judgment on Tolstadius and his hearers for their blindness and obstinacy.

A. D., 1706.—It was reported generally that Herr Tolstadius was bound over to court, and as the Governor in New York, My Lord Cornbury, (Governor also at that time of that side down to Cape May) got to hear of

it, he decided that he himself would take the case in hand when he should come to Burlington in the Spring, and Herr Tolstadius was bound over accordingly. But as my Lord delayed, Tolstadius came to a shocking end. He, alone in a canoe in the river, pitifully perished on the 29th of May, the canoe coming driving straight up to land, with his travelling cloak and plow-iron in it, and his dead body was found at Upland nine days afterward.

May God graciously look on my righteous cause, and grant that he with a truly penitent sigh was enabled to give up his soul.

But still the Church at Rattcong Creek, established and set upon an unjust and irregular foundation, is more obstinate and spunky than ever, yet there was one and another in the meantime, in the ruinous state of things came back to his old church.

But some began in the Summer to pitch upon Herr Jonas Aureen, who was the third person sent over with me and Magister Rudman at the King's expense, but he, to return home again at the first opportunity, but thus far had let himself be hindered by one and another cause; but the first and principal hindrance was the tidings which were received soon after our arrival here, that the King, Charles XI., was dead, and so he concluded to remain here awhile longer till he could get to hear how all things were going on in the Fatherland, and in the meantime, while he held on longer, he came to accept certain whims, and finally, for two years past, he has been a confirmed Sabatarian and has published an almanack in English advocating their notions, which he called "Noah's Dove," which induced me to write an answer to it also in English, according to the ability

which God has given me, under the title of "A Little Olive Leaf For Noah's Dove."

About him, I say, they began to confer, and had hope to get him off from his Sabatarian views and obtain his services, as he had been for some time in Elk River, preaching for some English in their language on Sunday's, while he kept his Saturday for himself. And he began to show more and more that he was not so strong in his opinions, and finally went over to them in the Autumn. But during the Winter, as he could not immediately, until he had more maturely considered the matter, he left with them for a reader his relative, Brunn John, whom he had had with him during the whole time in Elk River in his Saturday notions. Herr Aureen came to consult with me, declaring that he would do nothing contrary to my wish about it. Then I recited to him briefly (which he also very well knew) how improperly they had dealt with me, and how far he may come with my consent, yet I wish myself to be considered a liar, if such a church begun in such a manner should ever be prosperous.

On Thursday, January 10th, we held a Thanksgiving for a great victory won by the Duke of Marlborough over the French and the Netherlandish Spaniards, which thanksgiving was ordered, a short time by a proclamation of the Deputy Governor in Philadelphia, in the name of the Queen of England, which was the first Thanksgiving day that so far had been held ; I used for a text, the 6th verse of the 20th chap. of Psalm.

Lent Sunday. Talked again about fencing the church yard, and that within three weeks to-day, they must bring the material, so that I can see them in the churchyard for I with the churchwardens have determined to hire men to finish it immediately, for it is a sin and

a shame before God and man that so little a thing should be managed in so tardy and shiftless a manner, by means of which the Christian people suffer in credit and profit, etc., etc.

For the two following Sundays this was the topic of conversation.

This year we held no general meeting of the congregation as I found it useless.

The 8th Sunday after Holy Trinity Sunday, July 14th, I requested the congregation to stop in front of the church to talk about the brickmaking again, because now it was sure that Pietter Johnson would come on the morrow, and it was suggested that they should so apportion the work among themselves that all this week he should have two continually to help him. And after sermon it was done and arranged.

Finally he came this week and it was decided that at first he should make 12000, which he said he could make easily enough in the week, but he stayed only until Friday, and on counting them there were but 7000 and alleging various excuses he went away, but promised to be on hand in 14 days to finish his work.

Then they laid the bricks and made the roof, making it of boards in haste, as there was but little time hoping that he would keep his word, but finally he proved a liar, and so nothing more was done this Summer or autumn. The first Sunday in Advent we had occasion to have a general thanksgiving to God, who caused John Hanson Stellman to give 100 pounds with all interest backstanding thereon freely to the church, it being part of the money that we borrowed of him for the building of the church.

The first incentive to this was that a rumor came this Summer to the ears of Vice-Governor John Evans, that

Mr. Stellman took unlawful interest, viz: 10 per cent., while the lawful interest was 8 per cent., whereupon I and Mr. Springer who had the most to do with it were put on our oaths. The amount of the testimony being that I gave a note to Mr. Stellman for 100 pounds at 10 per cent. interest, but we could not surely say that he had it in his mind to take it, for we never had any settlement with him. Mr. Stellman was hereupon cited to court, but in the meantime after various consultations, and for the sake of his credit he gave the hundred pounds with the interest to the Church, and that under hand and seal.

For this gift was promised him the first seat on the main aisle, both on the men and women's side, and a burial place in the Church for himself.

On the 7th December, we held a general meeting on the Old land, which was notified two weeks previously, at which I first rehearsed the matter of Mr. Stellman's gift and read his own writing thereon, a copy of which may be read at the close of this year's record, but as the original was done in a very concise manner, and was so preserved, I added thereto a further statement that for the other 220 pounds back standing, the interest in full at 8 per cent. was afterward paid up so that we are indebted for no interest until the end of the coming year.

But this meeting was especially called on account of my circumstances, to let them know how matters stood with me, as regarded them, and how illy they conducted towards me. That I had been here so long and was not considered worthy to have a house provided for me near the Church on the land bought for that purpose, and that they on the other side while they were in unity with us, fulfilled their promises and brought timber and

shingles for the house, and finally it was built up and roofed, but is fast going to ruin as it remains at present.

And now I gave them to understand that I would no longer submit to live so far from the church and though I may yet have some strength, yet, am ten years older than when I came here, have borne various burdens, and may reasonably begin to be to myself the nearest, and if I cannot soon have a change for the better shall be under the necessity of seeking other expedients and if nothing better offers I must go home again.

That I am straightened in my living and see no way of improving my condition. That I am an incumbrance on my wife's relations. That I have improved the land for two or three years, but with more trouble and expense than all I have got from it, so that I am under the necessity of abandoning it and living in a place where each one sets his price and gets it carried to his house, while I have to pay dearer and send for it. And though some have had compassion on me, yet unless I now had among others my wife's relations to stand at my back, I had not known how to keep up. All my savings might be put on a horse's back. But no matter how bad the weather I must go out, but get very little thanks for it.

That I live worse than a common laborer, for a good man servant gets with us about 20 pounds, and some extras and has his board, lodging, washing and drink free, while I even if I should get all the dues get little over 30 pounds, and with house and all not 40 pounds, and I must therewith clothe myself and procure food and be at much expense besides, so that I am more than 20 pounds worse than nothing every year that I remain here. The congregation ought to have more consideration, of which I see no sign. I bade them

think upon God's daily mercies and goodness bestowed upon them, and in conclusion I said to them that I could not hold out any longer in this way, but that they must help me to a house, and then I very well know that I shall thereafter have other burdens, for I shall then newly begin housekeeping and must incur expense for all kinds of things which pertain to housekeeping, and that if I could have been some years before at housekeeping it would have been better for me and for my calling. It would have been easier, and I said decidedly that I neither will nor ought to send around the Parish after what is due to me, and that each one can easier send once to me, than that I should keep a horse and boy to send to each one, neither will I as I have heretofore given notice perform service on week-days as at burials, weddings and etc., without a reasonable compensation therefor, for I cannot keep my horse on nothing nor will anybody give me my saddle, etc. for nothing. And now if they really intend to deal justly by me it is time for them to begin in earnest to bring stone for the cellar and have the house done this year next coming, so that at the farthest by the Autumn I may have my flitting time.

They made fair promises and thereupon I left them.

A copy of Mr. Stellman's discharge for the 100 pound bond which stood at 10 per cent. interest.

Know all men by these presents, whom it may or hereafter shall concern, that I, John Hance Stellman, of ye County of Cecill, in ye province of Maryland, Merchant, Doe heareby acquitt, release and forever discharge Magister Ericus Biorck, Minister of Christeen Congregation, of a Bond and obligation Dated in Elk River, ye 30th of June, 1698, Containing one hundred pounds silver money, with Ten pound Interest Yearly, and every yeare which money Magister Biorck had upon ye account, and for ye use of Christeen Congregation, for ye Building of ye Church,

which Bond and ye Sum and Interest, I doe give freely and of a pure and conscientious heart for ye honor of GOD, to ye Holy Trinity Church,and doe heareby alsoe declare and testifye that I never did design, nor have taken any Interest for ye aforesaid hundred pounds, for I have never made up my account until this Day, nor have disclosed my minde, what I have resolved and had in minde until now, wheareunto I have Sett my hand and seal.

Christeen, ye 16th of Nov'br, 1706. JNO. HANS STELLMAN. { L. S. }

The lines in ye margin were written before ye signing, sealing and Delivery.

Witness:

His
PIETTER X P. STALCOP,
Mark.

JOHN JUSTASON.

A.D. 1707. There was held as in the former year a notified Thanksgiving on the 16th of January, for another victory gained over the French by the Duke of Marlborough. This year I was compelled to hire a man to split 500 rails and stakes thereto for the Church yard, for I was both disgusted and weary with talking any more about it.

Palm Sunday, the 6th of April, I received a letter from Mr. John Orriott, dated London, April 18th, 1706, and therein one from the Swedish Minister, Herr Leonkrona, dated the 13th of May, 1706, and therein a Bill of Lading to me with this mark G. P. E., dated London, April 16, 1706, subscribed by Joseph Palmer, Captain of a ship called Warren Brigantine, who brought the two letters and the Bill of Lading of the contents of a chest full of books which I sometime before had written for, which were presented by his Royal Majesty, the now in Sweden reigning King Charles XII., with which was the follow-

ing duplicate of a letter to Magister Rudman from the Herr Secretary, Gustaff Perringer Lillieblad, dated Stockholm, July 20th, 1705, with the following therein.

According to the contents of His Royal Majesty's most gracious letter dated Heilborg, in Poland, April 20, 1704, are the following books granted by His Royal favor to the Swedish congregations in America.

Viz: In a board chest are packed 4 new church Bibles, Royal folio.

40 Bibles octavo printed in Amsterdam.

4 Psalm books, quarto.

300 Swedish Psalm books, of which 100 are octavo, and the rest duodecimo, but 40 of themunbound.

44 Autobiography, 16 mo.

6 Specula Religiona blansula.

2 Children's books.

2 Sermons on His Royal Majesters Victory at Cliscou.

3 Christ's bloody offering for the sins of the world.

These books were divided in two parcels, half to Wicacoe, and the other half down here at Christina, and none to the recently set up church on the other side of the river at Rattcongs Creek, because they separated from us their churches and ministers so irregularly, as is more fully related above. For it was thought no more than reasonable and right, that those who are left with the whole burden upon them of the payment of the debt on the church, and the support of the ministers, should first be participants in the King's bounty for them and their children. And they on being informed of the matter, agreed, as a thanksgiving to God, for the safe arrival of the books, to give to the church as they did before, for a Bible, 6 shillings; for a Psalm book, 3 shillings; but for the octavo, 3 shillings and 6 pence, and yet the King's gift would be none the

less a Royal gift on account of their contribution to the church. But it was rumored that one and another were foolishly dissatisfied herewith, but they came to a right understanding.

If however there were any left over, those others should share, but so that the money should be given to this church.

The big Bibles and Psalm books that I especially wrote for were two of each kind left up there at Wicacoe and two down here, one of each on the Pulpit and the others on the Altar.

Easter day, this year, I spoke especially of this business, and of the Royal favour as at that time there was a large attendance, though no books were given out at this time for I first got them down the 18th of May, when Jonas Walraven went for them in a boat and they were given out afterwards as a list thereof shows.

To the Great God be praise for his Fatherly care for his Church, and may such a King be crowned with Heavenly grace, joy and blessedness.

In Spring-tide of this year, they at Rattcongs Creek began more and more to procure Herr Aureen for their Minister, and made an especial application to the Governor in New York for his permission and agreement thereto.

Now in this matter for Herr Aureen's sake, and as a conscientious man, I will not meddle with them who will not adhere to the Church here.

Herr Aureen laid before the Governor a special communication from me, as he had been cited before the Governor on certain grave charges, but after a hearing he was acquitted and granted permission to act as Minister for them.

Now directly after this, those below Jacob Van deVer's down to Pumkin Hook began a movement to obtain Herr Aureen to preach every other Sunday for them.

He did not consent, nor come to any agreement with them, but came over himself finally to confer with me about it but I bade him be still for I would never agree to his going over thereto give me further trouble, for he had already got a bit of my bread, which I had given up in compassion for his circumstances, and therefore he should let the remainder alone.

He represented the matter to me in this wise, and said that if they on the other side should ask him to come among them for the sake of charity and good feeling he will enter into no arrangement with them without my consent, and will leave it altogether to me to have the most to say about it.

I answered him that if they first seek you of their own accord, and the others do not move them thereto, I will talk further about it, but in the meantime I told him that he well knew how we were written for, and came here, and that he was not to remain here as a pastor to take charge of a congregation. And that he knew how disorderly they had separated themselves from us, and that he should therefore be circumspect and careful in what he did. For said I, if the Governor has given you permission, he cannot thereby interfere with me, for I have as good and valid a commission for my office to the Swedes on that side of the river, as any Governor can have to his office as Governor, and that he can, and shall not take from me what the high authorities the King and Archbishop have delegated to me, and so long as I conduct myself properly and honorably cannot be taken from me, and though it is in an another government, yet it is not in another kingdom, and that we not

only live under the same God, but under the same Queen and the same Bishop in England. I afterwards went over to visit them, as they had heard a report that I was never more coming over to them in the capacity of a minister, and consequently one and another of them was minded to follow after Herr Aureen, but they were glad when they saw me and found that the report was entirely untrue. They then said that so long as I would be their minister, they would never leave me who had for their sakes risked so much.

They furthermore asked my advice as to what they should do if they should come to solicit them, and I bade them answer that they depended entirely upon me, and that unless Herr Aureen come to an agreement with me, and comes on my account, they will have nothing to do with him.

On the 8th of June, Holy Trinity Sunday, as I had given notice, Easter day, that whatever that Sunday should fall in the purse, should be reckoned as a general thanksgiving gift for the new Bibles and new Psalm books, a so valuable gift to our church, as they had done heretofore, so now should make a free offering to God.

There fell into the purse 14 shillings, much more than the Sunday collection ordinarily, but a much greater difference from that which fell in at the reception of the church purse, which however was in the winter, when not so many folk come together, which shows how scarce money is, and as it has been every year since I came—growing harder and harder, and especially since the building of the church.

This Sunday I gave notice of a general meeting for the next Sunday after Holy Trinity, the occasion for

which was that some wish new church wardens in place of those in office, to see if they who are fresh in office could not quicker put forward the Parsonage house to its completion, for some foolishly charged me (for their is no wheat without chaff) with having elected the former church wardens, which indeed was entirely untrue, and so they wanted a meeting now to choose for themselves and after their own will and pleasure.

Therefore I told them that I should not be present with them at that time, but exhorted them to be gentle and quiet, and especially that whoever they might choose, they should be very careful to choose no one who does not seek to honor God, whether they confirm the old or elect others.

The first Sunday after Holy Trinity the 13th of June, I was at the upper congregation, and on that occasion I preached in English in the church above Frankfort, and Swen Colesberg read out of the Postilla, and afterwards they went into the election.

Herr Aureen was there at Christina that Sunday with John Gooding, who was familiar with such usage in Sweden, and also said that the English are accustomed to do so, and they call it a Vestry.

And Herr Aureen explained the whole business to them, and persuaded them to choose six proper persons for a church council, (like as Herr Aureen had brought about at Rattcong Creek since he had been there,) which they on his indication chose, viz: Charles Springer, Brewer Seneke, Pietter Mounson, Cornelius Van de Ver, Lucas Stedham and James Seneke, and these elected two church wardens, Matthias Pietterson and Edward Robinson, and so Mr. Springer, Peter Mounson and Asmund Stedham were out (as wardens,)

which all as I heard proceeded satisfactorily with propriety and quietness, and they all agreed to come to me at my father-in-law's the next Saturday.

The next Saturday the 21st June, these eight came up to me and notified me of their election, and John Gooding also came with them, and said that he had been elected by the congregatien to serve as clerk for the church-council, but a dispute arose and it was averred that it was not so. Then John Gooding began to be very decided in his claim, but when the matter was further looked into, no one could be found to have named him for that office, and the church-council said that they did not need a clerk, as they had among themselves some who could write.

So as it was entirely unknown to me that any such choice had been made and as it devolves upon me to decide the question, I can say no otherwise than that the congregation do not need to choose such an officer, as the Church council have among themselves men like Mr. Springer and James Seneke who can write and that expertly, it is entirely unnecessary to burden another therewith in this council. But if a council should be chosen hereafter of whom none shall be able to write they may then choose one whom they may think serviceable for them. And so John Gooding was relieved from his cares, which he did not very well accept, but it could not be helped.

After this some inconsiderate persons blamed the former Churchwardens' irregular management of the church income (as for causes before mentioned I had not had a general meeting for some time), and it was also represented to me by the church council that the congregation wished to have a settlement financially, for they think that the church debt is paid off by this time.

But I replied that they could not demand of me any reckoning yet.

1st. Because all the bills are not paid; a good many no part of them, a good many but little on them and so the settlement would be very difficult and troublesome for me, and

2nd. That I stand as a security for the whole congregation with Mr. John Hanson Stellman and he can go to no one but me for his money.

Is it reasonable that one who is in debt for what he cannot pay at present, having gotten one to stand security for him, shall call him to account who has gone security for him.

I therefore was resolved that the churchwardens should call in the bills as fast as possible.

And I also drew up a subscription list for the wardens to take around to hurry the finishing of the Parsonage house, and nothing more could now be accomplished.

On Midsummer's day in accordance with the agreement with me of the above-named church wardens Matz Pietterson and Edward Robinson, made the Sunday before, we raised the belfry on the north side down by the east corner of the church, right opposite a walnut tree the whole labor of which cost one pound and 13 shillings, which Jesper Walraven and Pietter Pietterson on the old land ought to have.

It was finally resolved that each house-holder and each free man in the congregation should pay one shilling to settle with them, and if it came in so plentifully that something should be left over the surplus should be appropiated to something else, notice of which was given out the next Sunday.

The 12th of July the people met to pry up the house and lay the foundation under it.

The 4th after Trinity, July 13th, I buried after sermon Aaron Johnson who died in his house on Bread and Cheese Island the Tuesday before, and was laid in Christina Church the Friday following, which was the first burial in the church since it was built, with our Swedish ceremony of standing on the bier during the funeral sermon.

Which funeral took place in the presence of a large congregation. His grave is in the main aisle at the beginning in the lower quarter where the long pews for men begin.

This we owed to him as he being childless willed both personal and real property to the church, which was to come into possession so soon as his wife should die.

The 9th Sunday after Holy Trinity, they were reminded to come and cut more wood for the brick-burning, for on Wednesday eight days hereafter is set to burn the brick.

The 12th of August when I was at St. Georges and preached there, some of the Swedes living there and especially Joran Anderson, John Cock, and Hendrick Ivarson urged and tried to persuade me to come once a month to them and they would increase my salary, which they accordingly did as they could not conveniently come to church nor their children so often as they ought. And I promised to comply with their request on condition that they in all things should remain united to Christina as heretofore, and be willing to help pay for the support of the church and parsonage etc., etc. But otherwise I would not accede to their request. We then came to an agreement

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and I began my promise the 29th of August, and so following preached the Evangelium in course, and always catechised therewith, and also on the history of Christ's sufferings at the proper time and always examined them.

The 11th Sunday I again bade them come and cut wood for the brick-making, especially those who knew themselves that they had not yet done anything, for if the moulder had been well the burning should have been finished.

The 12th Sunday I finished the reading of the whole Bible, both the Old and New Testament for the first time, which I began the year I came here, viz: 1697, on the 18th of July or 7th Sunday after Trinity, which is so much over ten years, as from the 7th Sunday to the 12th, or from the 18th of July to the 31st or last of August. In concluding, I remarked that those who had been diligent and punctual might say confidently that at least they had heard the whole Bible read once in their life-time from beginning to end, while those who have been negligent may not say so.

But many who heard the beginning and a part thereof are now dead, but it is to be hoped that they are in greater knowledge than we can be who remain. But that we who have been spared so long must be grateful and give God thanks etc., etc.

Then I requested the congregation to join with me and say, "We pray Thee O Lord to still protect both old and young, and help us to bear this world's burdens, keep us in the truth and give us everlasting deliverance to the praise of thy grace and our Eternal Joy in Christ Jesus, Amen.

The 13th Sunday after Holy Trinity Sunday, I began

again in the name of the Lord which is the 2nd time, Bible reading in the church. And first I explained the title Bible, and then the introduction in the newly received big Bible, but only read about one half of it to the words "then the Christian learner."

The 11th of September on Thursday, the brick-maker Pietter Hanson came and prepared a heap of bricks so that we set fire under them on Saturday.

The 14th Sunday, September 14th, I bade them come in the morning and get more wood for the brick-burner set fire under the bricks yesterday, but says he needs more wood so that it may not now miscarry for then it will be to the loss of themselves.

September 16th the burning was finished and the burner left in the morning.

The 18th Sunday I reminded them to bring forward what they had promised for the Parsonage-house and especially the stove.

The 19th Sunday now in the Lord's name after I had read the preface to the Old and New Testaments, this Sunday I began the first chapter of the book of the creation, and the first chapter of St. Matthews' gospel.

The 1st of November, or All Saints' day, I preached on the other side of the river, and that part of the congregation agreed to hire Swen Kohlsberg to ferry me over whenever I set a time to preach there so that I should have no such trouble as I have had in years past to get there and back again and at that time they made up a subscription for him amounting to five pounds, dated this day, embracing each and all the men at 2 shil. and 6 pence for each one, so that a first payment should be ensured and to Jacob Van de Ver and Jacob Hendrickson took upon themselves to be his paymasters for this year

beginning to reckon the year from this All Saints' Mass day of this year to the same next year.

The 22nd Sunday I reminded them to fulfill their promises to the Priest's house and for the books, and that they who cannot conveniently come to haul stone should come and dig them up, that they who come to cart them may so much the faster hand them in.

The 2nd Sunday after Epiphany, I gave notice that inasmuch as Wm. Van de Ver to lighten the labor of getting the stone for the Parsonage house had prevailed on (*a*) Gambla Empson (Cornelius Empson,) to give all the stone that may be found at his old house where his mill on the Brandywine Creek some years since stood, having been used for a cellar, and now lying all around loose and ready to be loaded on a sled, and ready to be brought forward, now should the congregation improve this opportunity and bring them in with expedition, as everything is ready for the mason except the stone which should have been first on hand.

The 25th of June, or Midsummer day, a meeting of the congregation was held on the old land, but I was absent.

Then the Church Wardens resigned their office and settled their accounts with the Church Council, and the congregation chose others in their place, viz: Matt Tossa and Pietter Pietterson on the old land.

The 1st of September, on a Wednesday, Richard Manken was buried by me in Christina Church yard, when two Quakers Cornelius Empson and George Robinson made disturbance with me in the very act of the burial, but I nevertheless held on to the end and immediately thereafter arrested them to stand for trial at the court at New Castle.

a. Gambia means old but is used respectfully.

The 14th of September, hearing that my beloved colleague Magister Rudman was very sick, I went up to Philadelphia to visit him.

He, not without great sorrow to me, died on the 17th of Lung sickness, and I buried him in Wicacoe Church, just before the altar and preached his funeral sermon in English, in the presence of an exceeding great number of people.

His own chosen text for his burial was Psalms 73d chapter and 24th verse. "Thou leadest me by thy counsel." He was not yet 40 years old.

The 19th Sunday, I admonished them to bring next Wednesday or Thursday to Empson's mill what they had promised for books, and to give for the Minister's house that the Church Wardens may not come short for the payment of the laborers.

The 30th October, on Saturday, there came to me George Huntingson and John Gregg, with George Robinson and Cornelius Empson, and they acknowledged that they did very wrong at Richard Meakins funeral, and most sincerely wished to be reconciled with me, and if anything further should be required by the congregation they will also come and own their fault and ask forgiveness. I answered that they should find me entirely ready to be friendly, but that the law may have something to say about it which I could not prevent. They answered that they were willing to undergo that, if they first could be reconciled with me, and be at ease conscientiously in the matter.

The 22nd Sunday after Trinity, I again reminded them of their promises for the Priests' house, and also for the books, and that they should not depend upon those who were nearest to cart and attend to the work, while those a little further off will take nothing of it on

themselves, and yet they give no more in money; such should not be accounted true members of the Church, nor will they have so honorable a name when it is once finished as the others, because they have done little or nothing towards it.

The 31st November, the following were with me on the old land, viz: Brewer Seneke, Lucas Stedham, Matz Pietterson, Edward Robinson, James Seneke and Pietterson on the old land.

When came again Cornelius Empson and George Robinson to confess and beg pardon for their fault (see before Oct. 30th and Sept. 12th,) before the above named who were the church council for the whole church, and we did not think it on the whole advisable that they should appear before our whole congregation in church, and it was by us accepted as in full for good, with this understanding previously mentioned by me with regard to the legal proceeding, and furthermore I laid it down to them that they must do it of an upright heart such as the Almighty God will hereafter judge and strictly look upon.

The 2nd of December I buried Brewer Seneke in the church under his own pew at the south side of the Altar, who was the second that was buried in the church, 1709.

The 5th Sunday after Epiphany, I reminded them of paying in for the Mason.

The 25th day of April on Easter Monday, the congregation met after sermon on the Old Land for further consultation about the building of the Priesthouse.

Saturday July 9th the meeting was held on Old Land instead of the regular Midsummer's day meeting and at this time I was constrained to give in these points of my

hardship, and through them exhibit my situation and circumstances.

1st. That in 7 years time I have missed from the other side of the river each year 10 pounds and some shillings which amounts to at least 70 pounds.

2nd. That on this side I have yearly missed as follows: From Hance Gustaffson 1 pound, Hendrick Tossa, 15 shil., John Mounson 1 pound, Paul Pietterson 8 shil., John Van de Ver 1 pound, old Jacob Van de Ver 1 pound, Luloff Stedhem 1 pound, John Stalcop 2 pounds, James Seneke 1 pound, Brewer Seneke 1 pound, Jesper Wallraven 1 pound, Olle Thomas 1 pound, making 12 pounds and 3 shil.

This loss has been occasioned to me by the removal of some so far away that they could not attend this church. And that in other cases I had not the heart to insist on payment every year but was promised to have it all made up, but they never got anything ahead, and finally died so that I never got anything, and dying, left widows who were not able to pay so much as while their husbands were living, and so from various causes there has been a constant falling off from what was first promised me, and there never is anything done to make up the deficiency.

All of which reckoned one year, with another is at least 50 pounds, though if I were to be accurate in the calculation, it would amount to more.

3rd. That I for seven years time have been subjected to various expenses and hardships, by reason of not getting to live on the Priest-land, which lies so near the church, being compelled at all times to keep a horse, to be out in foul as well as fair weather, and have everything to buy, and if I did not live with my wife's folk as I now do, I must have often suffered want, and I

reckon my loss each year at 20 pounds, which if I only reckon for 5 years and not for the whole seven, amounts to 100 pounds for this point.

4th. That my year's salary does not amount to 40 pounds country currency, and irregular enough at that. How can it be likely that I can hold out longer in this way. A man servant has it better here in this country, and I must ride around, and scrape, and send after what I may get, as if it was my duty to send around the parish for something to live upon. But I must not forget to except some, who have some consideration, and are always prompt to send in. But you can in the course of the year more easily send in your dues, than that I should send around my horse and boy, as if I had not enough for my horse to do without that.

I was promised 50 pounds a year on this side of the river, which would now in 12 years amount to 600 pounds, but I have received but 382 pounds and 6 pence, but if on the ground upon which they offered, had I received there would still be 70 pound arrearage from the other side.

I heard nothing else but that the congregation were troubled that it should go thus with me, and that they had not so correctly understood before, and had not duly considered, and therefore they consulted among themselves, in what manner my support could be bettered,

And they decided that unmarried men, and those who marry shall begin to help, for they live among the congregation, and enjoy all the privileges in the church in common with the others.

And also it was decided that the old householders should add somewhat to their subscriptions, and that the church wardens should take charge of this matter, with which I for this time let myself be content.

At this time there were elected church wardens in the place of Mattz Tussy, and Pietter Conpany, Wm. Van de Ver, and Erick Errickson on Cranehook, and the former two were taken into the church council, in place of Brewer Seneke, and James Seneke, and so there were six again as there were in the beginning.

At this meeting it was also promised me that I should be helped to grain for my bread for the first year after I came into the parsonage, as there was no produce from it for me.

The 7th Sunday after Holy Trinity Sunday which was the 7th of August, I gave notice that the English around about here, being again without a minister had made application to me to preach to them in their own language. I had been requested and urged to preach in English for them every other Sunday, beginning to preach to them the next coming Sunday, but so that I should always have preached in Swedish before the English are assembled.

I bade the congregation not to take this up wrong, but rather be glad and thank God for the signal grace that they so far from their Fatherland and under another government have yet the advantage in spiritual things, to have Priests who not only can serve themselves, but also the English instead of what would seem more likely that the Swedes should need the help of the English.

Therefore that they should grant to their fellow-christians in common with themselves, the preaching of God's word and administration of His ordinances, which peradventure they may at some other time need from them.

For the Swedes have had and will have God's word so abundantly preached and administersd in Swedish

that if they live in accordance, Christianity will soon come to a great betterment.

The 8th Sunday after Trinity I began my promised service and preaching for the English till they should get one of their own language again.

1710. On the 22nd of January, I buried our bell-ringer and reader, Swen Colsberg, a no small loss to me and the congregation, on account of his useful work amongst us. And I reminded them at that time that those who knew themselves to be in arrears with his pay should now with an honest heart towards his wife and children, let them have for their use what he has honestly earned.

And I also said that as I now remarked their conduct towards him, a servant of the church, so should I suspect they would do with regard to me, if I should die to-day or to-morrow.

Last Friday, January 20th, I flitted at last in the Lord's name, into the slowly built, and now but little more than half finished Priest house on the Old Land, and now they should remember their promise to help me towards the housekeeping.

And so after almost thirteen years of difficult and tiresome journeys to the church, I hope to have a little easier life, if God shall please.

The 24th of June, Midsummer day on a Saturday, we held the usual congregational meeting; when

1st. The church wardens, Wm. Van de Ver and Erick Erickson on Cranehook, made up and settled their accounts.

2nd. They were re-elected for the coming year.

3rd. They contributed more for the finishing of the building.

4th. They promised to help me with the rail-splitting.

5th. Gave their consent that the land of the late Aaron Johnson, viz: 100 acres which was a separate deed, should in accordance with his will belong to me. I represented and stated that the congregation had just nothing to do with it, but that I would not appropriate it to myself without their knowledge.

For as I under God had been the cause of the late old man's giving all his possessions to our church, or else I might as surely have had all for myself, as I now have this pen in my hand which I am now writing with.

But (before God I lie not,) I by God's grace have the mind, so much as is possible, always to look entirely to the welfare of the church, how it in time to come shall be better and better able to support a minister among them than now can be done, and so he was induced to make his will to Christina Church, and not to me. And as I for so many years could hardly have my daily support, and never be so rich as to buy me a bit of land for my wife and children to live upon, if I should die here, and the loose property of his estate could not well be divided, therefore, has God's providence so ordered that this piece of land came to me. And the congregation should so much the more willingly grant me this, as I otherwise could have had all, but through God's dispensing the best was left to the church.

6th. Philip Cornelieson Van de Ver, of Christina, promised to ring the bell for a while, which ringing I had usually done myself after the late Kolsberg's death, which I did not, however, come here to do.

The 10th Sunday after Trinity, August 13th, I requested the congregation to stop after the close of the service and come to some further conclusion about the

bell ringing for this year, for this Philip Van de Ver will not serve any longer, and reminding them that what I had done they must consider was neither my duty nor my calling, and very little proper for me, but what I did was done to show that I will hold myself ready to perform anything that I may deem conducive to the honor and service of God and his Church, however common it seem or may be, but that the congregation ought not to take advantage of my willingness, as it will not be creditable to them among strangers.

However Philip Van de Ver concluded to hold on longer, and if he fails the Churchwardens will ring each his alternate Sunday.

Tuesday, September 5th, I was with Mr. Walter Martin at Marcus Hook to preach English, having been called by him in the name ofmany others with the idea, that I should preach for them every other Sunday, until they should get a Priest at Chester again, but I found very little earnestness and zeal among them, and made no arrangement with them, but I preached for those present at that time.

The 20th of September I buried my then youngest child Petter, in Christina Church, (which was the third burial in the Church,) on the south side of the altar in before the choir just before my pew. God comforted me by the unexpected presence of Herr Aureen, who buried him with a funeral sermon from Job 1st Chapter, 21st verse, else must I have cast earth on him myself, as no Priest was near at hand, and it fell heavy on me as this was my first sorrow connected with my married life.

I must always be ready to serve others on like occasions, but I could not expect anyone to serve for me,

but then I say came Herr Aureen. The child's age was only 10 months, two weeks and 3 days.

1711. Midlent Sunday or 11th of March, I gave notice that Churchwarden Wm. Van de Ver had presented to our church a black pall as a New Year's gift, with these letters upon it W. A. V.-ie, Wm. and Alice Van de Ver, memento-mori. The 2nd Sunday after Easter or April 15th, I asked the congregation to come and clear a piece of land for me to sow upon and they came on Wednesday, April 25th, and I bade them also fulfill their promise to furnish me with bread-seed until I can get my own.

April 17th on a Wednesday, when I preached on the other side of the river there came a baptist by the name of Cabner, from Pumpkinhook, their pedobaptist minister, and made friends with me, and in the presence of a heap of my congregation and of some of his own, acknowledged that he had talked against me otherwise than he should have done and was sorry for it and promised better in the future. I answered him that I would be satisfied, but I wished that he had brought with him certain others of his congregation such as Lars and Hendrick, and not these young ones, for the others are old and experienced, and thus I should feel more like trusting him; nevertheless I assured him of my friendship, and at that time I talked with him with regard to what it was to be a Priest, and he acknowledged that he was not a minister as the English term it, but only served those of his opinion with the intention of building up a society.

The 4th Sunday after Easter, May 23rd, I preached on the other side, and Hendrick Janson left off setting me over, and they on the other side engaged John Mink to do the same for one year, and the 7th of June when I was

there they sat down their names for what they will give him for his trouble.

Saturday, June 23rd, we held our general midsummer meeting, for midsummer's day fell on Sunday this year.

1st. We settled the accounts for the Wardens this year, viz: William Van de Ver and Erick Erickson.

2nd. There was no change of Churchwardens, for William being angry at some talk of Matz Pietterson, which he had heard, went his way and with the records etc., with him, so that we could accomplish nothing more that day, and we agreed that Eric and William should stand for another year unless they declined.

4th. We consulted about up timbering the barn, and those who promised assistance set down their names.

5th. We agreed with Philip Van de Ver to ring the bell for another year, the congregation to pay him therefor.

The 12th Sunday, August 19th, the girl Rose did penance for having improperly used at one time in the church the bason and linen cloth, which were always used when Holy Baptism was performed.

This penance was performed in English, for she was an Irish woman, and understood that language best, next to her own.

She promised 20 shillings old currency to the church with which another bason and linen cloth should be bought for use in this sacrament.

This girl though a stranger to us and could have easily run away, (as some thoughtless folk among us advised her to do,) yet would by no means do it, but when her misdoing was discovered and she understood that she had done illy, though she had done it ignorantly, having though baptized been for a long

time brought up among the Quakers, with weeping confessed her fault and testified her sorrow of heart, and expressed her willingness to suffer whatever we thought she deserved, even if she should be taken to Court and whipped.

I talked the matter over with the Church Council and so mediated in the matter that it was decided that if she would do penance according to our church law, and give something to the church, it should suffice, and she did so, and this so far as we can judge, was a clear sign that she was in a good measure penitent for her act.

N. B.—This was a rare example of obedience which many of our own people would not have complied with if they had been adjudged to it, for she was a stranger to us and upon my advice did it, though she might have run away and have earned her living somewhere else, for she was a free-woman.

1712. The third Sunday in Lent or the 23rd of March, I was solicited again to preach English for the country-folk which belong to New Castle, (though they also came from New Castle,) until they shall get some one in Mr. Tinkler's place, who left them in a very irregular manner.

I promised them that if they will have a little more consideration for my circumstances than they had when I helped them before, I would preach every other Sunday for them, but so as that the one Sunday it should be here at Christina Church, and the other at the house of the smith Mr. Wm. Ball, so that those who cannot come to the church can have better convenience to meet there at Mr. Ball's and for their sakes I will take the trouble to ride from here down there, but it must be understood that I first preach in Swedish for my own proper con-

gregation, and then come to them, and so they have preaching in the afternoon.

Midlent Sunday, the first of March, I began to fulfill this arrangement to preach in English here at Christina, and then fourteen days after at John Ball's, and so at Christina again, and then at John Ball's, etc., etc.

The 9th of January, 1709, I received a letter from the High Worthy Bishop in Skara, Dr. Jesper Swedberg, dated Brunsbo, the 27th of April, 1708, the contents of which were that his Royal Majesty had been graciously pleased to recall me home with the assurance of a good position for me, and had ordered that two other good and suitable Priests should be selected, commissioned and sent to relieve me, and that his Royal Majesty had also granted to the congregation ten copies of the new revised Bible in folio, and four hundred well bound psalm books. To God be the glory, etc., etc

1711. June 1st I received a letter from Dr. Swedberg dated Brunsbo, August 1st, 1710, of various contents as about the unfortunate war in which Sweden is engaged, which has postponed the sending over of the two Priests, also of a new Swedish congregation in London, who have requested Dr. Swedberg to be their Bishop, and thereupon he had sent to them Olle Norberg, and then he told how that his Royal Majesty had intrusted him with the care of these Churches so far away also, and so is God's grace abundantly shown us so far away. To His name be the glory now and evermore.

The 1st of May on a Tuesday, there came over to me through the blessing of God, from Sweden, the Honorworthy gentlemen and Priestmen, Magister Andreas Hesselius and Herr Abraham Lidenius, Mr. Charles Rumsie being their conductor from Bohemia Landing up here.

Magister Hesselius' brother Herr Gustaff Hesselius, a portrait painter, came up some days after with their things by boat from Apaquimani.

They had with them His Royal Majesty Carl XII. gracious recall to me home again, dated Headquarters Smorgonia in Lithuania, February 21st, 1708, with his Majesty's hand and Royal Seal thereon, and along with that they had another letter from his Royal Majesty to the Church, with respect to my recall and the sending over of other Priests, dated at the same place and the same day and year as that to me.

Next there was one from the Royal Council in Stockholm, of various contents, dated Stockholm, June 23d, 1711, empowered with the Royal seal and some of their signatures underwritten.

Then there was one from the Highworthy Bishop in Skara, Dr. Jesper Swedberg to the congregation, dated Brunsbo Bishop's Gard in Skara September 7, 1711.

And I also received Magister Andreas Hesselius and Herr Lidenins' commission to the pastorate printed in Latin and Swedish dated at Brunsbo, September 7, 1711.

All these except the first which is especially mine were read to the congregation and were left in the original letters with the Church at Christina and they were copied by Mag. Hessellius into the new Church book.

And so do God and the King deal with us so far from the Fatherland with wonderful goodness us Swedish.

I had received a short time before from Dr. Swedberg a letter with regard to the exchange, but at the same time he knew not how the matter could be consummated on account of the great distress which Sweden by reason of a long war with Russia, and his Majesty's disastrous battle at Pultowa and his escape through great danger

by the unspeakable protection of God, into Tartary and Turkey, but just then against our expectations these Honorworthy Priestmen came. May God's goodness be ever praised.

These Honorworthy Gentlemen remained with me the whole of that year, the two clergymen having their board in the Priesthouse, but Mons Gustaff Hessellius after a few weeks flyted on account of his business to Philadelphia.

The 4th Sunday after Easter, May 18th, I exchanged with Mr. George Ross, he preaching for me at Christina, and I for him at Chester (or Upland.)

Then I with Mag. Andreas Hessellius, Mr. Lidenius and Mons Gustaff Hessellius went up to Mr. Sandall at Wicacoe, and the next day which was May 19th a Monday, we went to Philadelphia to pay our respects to the Vice Governor, Charles Gookin but did not meet him till the next day, when these Honorworthy gentlemen showed him their passport and commission and Gov. Wm. Penn's letter from London, and thereupon were received very favorably.

The same day Tuesday, May 20th, we went up to Oxford where we met with some Priests, Mr. John Talbot from Burlington, (who preached from Matthew 5th, chapter 16th verse,) and Mr. Evans of Philadelphia, Mr. Clubb from Apaquimani, Mr. Humphrey here at Oxford, Mr. Sandall of Wicacoe, Magister Hessellius, Herr Lidenius and myself from Christina, who after the sermon laid the corner-stone of a brick church in the place of a clap-board church only 24 feet long. May God prosper this work for His glory.

Then we were invited to dinner at Mr. Malice's, and then we Swedes went to Mr. Sandall's for the evening,

Mr. Evans the clergyman at Philadelphia, our especial friend, treated these new comers with peculiar respect and kindness, and took them around to all the most respectable persons in Philadelphia who were connected with his Church to make them acquainted with them, and a short time after there came to Mr. Evans, the High-worthy Bishop Henry of London's letter of recommendation, a copy of which I will take this opportunity to record that our posterity may see how we Swedes and the English, (i. e. those of the English Church,) lived together in truth and fellowship.

I recommend to you these two Swedish Missionaries Mr. Andreas Hessellius and Mr. Abraham Lidenius, who came over to supply the place of Mr. Rudman whom I desire you to receive with all brotherly friendship and charity, and to cultivate the best understanding you can with them, and to assist with any direc ions they may stand in need of, and in my name recommend them to the good will and protection of the Governor.

I pray God direct you
and believe me, Sir,
Your most assured friend
and Brother,

Fulham, Henry
Feb. 8th, 1712, London.

And we have always been counseled and instructed from Sweden to maintain friendship and unity with the English, so that we and the English Church shall not reckon each other as dissenters like the Presbyterians, Anabaptists, Quakers, &c., but as sister Churches.

Easter Day, June 8th, I gave notice that as now these Honor-worthy gentlemen had presented themselves to the Governor, therefore to-morrow which is Easter Monday, all the letters and credentials will be read to the

The Bishop has made a mistake here as Mr. Rudman had been for some time dead and they sent to take the place of Mr. Biork.

congregation, and therefore they will diligently come together.

Easter Monday, June 9th, I gave notice of a general meeting for Saturday 12 days thereafter, at which time after the close of Divine Service in the presence of a very large congregation, many being present from the other side of the river and from St. Georges, I read the above named Royal letters and that of the High worthy Father Dr. Swedberg, with here and there some necessary explanation of them and I then called their especial attention to the gracious favor shown them by God and the King who so cares for us here while at home in Sweden they are suffering great hardships and are in difficult circumstances on account of a protracted war.

And now as the hardships of a single minister in attempting to serve this congregation have been made known and represented by my letter the High worthy Father Dr. Swedberg to whom has been confided the spiritual care of these churches as their Bishop, has especially requested of the King that Mr. Hessellius should have another with him for a help, so that the congregation may be better served and cared for than I alone have been able to do or could have done hereafter, therefore this congregation should earnestly give thanks to God and pray for such pious and gracious authorities.

Then I said to them as they are new comers and not yet acquainted with and accustomed to this country, I will not immediately relinquish all my duties but will still go forward in my care for them as far as practicable.

I therefore mostly for the whole of this year preached

and held Divine service with the help of these Honorworthy gentlemen.

Holy Trinity Sunday, June 15th, at High Mass, Magister, Hesselius preached his first sermon May God bless the preaching in the future.

The 21st of June we held the meeting notified as above stated, instead of the usual Midsummers' day meeting the 25th of June, and the following business was done and agreed to.

1st. Wm. Van de Ver and Erick Erickson were reappointed churchwardens.

2nd. All those who are back on their subscription for the Priesthouse promised to pay up by Autumn.

3rd. Wm. Van de Ver should get a new church book.

4th. All who are in arrears to the bellringer must pay up by Autumn.

5th. Phiiip Van de Ver promised to serve as bellman as long as he lives at Christina.

6th. Mr. John Hanson Stellman must be notified to come up and meet me to settle up his accounts in the presence of the Church Council on the 10th of October next coming.

7th. That the churchwardens must collect the Priests salary yearly, so that they shall not be obliged to undergo that hardship.

8th. That all who know themselves to be in arrears with my salary must pay in the coming spring without further delay.

9th. The congregation promised to give me money for my journey when the good God is pleased to grant me in accordance, with my calling, to go from here to my earthly Fatherland.

10th. Christian Juransen presented to the church an Ifonbound Shrine.

11th. They promised as the Priests were now boarding with me for this whole year they would help me in meat and drink.

12th. Finally, in accordance with the late Aaron Johnson's Testament of the 2nd of November 1701, that a portion of the land should belong to me, which the then present churchwardens should make over to me when he died so it was that in this meeting, Mr. Charles Springer, Edward Robinson and Matz Pietterson in presence of witnesses gave it over to me under their hands and seals as a true copy thereof here follows:

Know all men by these presents whom it may or shall hereafter concern, that whereas Aaron Johnson of Bread and Cheese Island, deceased, by his last Will and Testament did for several good causes and reasons him then there thereunto moving, give unto ye Reverend Minister Magister Ericus Biorck, part of his estate which was left and given in charge to see it done and executed by those churchwardens which then were churchwardens when ye said Testatour dyed. Now in Consideration of what is heare specifyed doe wee the underwritten give and grant unto ye Reverend Minister Mag. Ericus Biorck his heirs Executors, Administrators, or assigns, a certain Tract of land, situate, being, and lying near James Robinson's containing One hundred and Tenn Acres of Land more or less as ye Pattent more at large makes appeare Whereunto wee have sett our hands and seals.

At Christeen
21st day of June
Anno Domi 1712
Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of
Andrew Hessellius
Jos. Anderson.
Wm. Van de Ver,
Pietter Pietterson,
Jn. Stallcop,
Erick Erickson,
Jonas Walraven.

CHARLES SPRINGER, [L. S.]
MATTHIAS PIETTESON, [L. S.]
EDWARD ROBINSON. [L. S.]

The first Sunday after Trinity, June 22nd, Mr. Abraham Lidenius preached his first sermon. May the good God bless.

Monday, June 23rd, I was with Magisters Hessellius and Lidenius at a meeting of ministers at Philadelphia, for the purpose of writing to the Queen and Bishop in England, with reference to two acts of the Assembly.

I was also with the Queen's Surveyor General Cornelius Querry, who upon Churchwarden William Van de Ver's bespeaking, presented the church a new church book in folio, which was left to these new clergymen.

The 5th Sunday after Holy Trinity, July 20th, after I had held Oct song, I rode to John Ball's to preach, and Magister Hessellius was with me and baptized a child, it being the first baptized by him since he came here.

The father's name was Stephen Cornelius, the mother's Hustru Willeminkie, and the child's name Cornelius, born eight days before.

Friday, October 1st, I went to St. Georges, and Mr. Lidenius went with me and preached there for the first time.

Thursday, October 16th, I went over the river and Mr. Lidenius was along and preached for them for the first time.

The 2nd of November I went to Philadelphia to receive the chest of books from the ship Philadelphia, Captain Spencer, which through God's grace had come over safely from Sweden. The chest cost, betwixt England and here, 2 pounds 15 shillings stirling for freight. The books were to have come along with Messrs. Hessellius and Lidenius, but as on account of the war they could not go direct from Stockholm to Denmark, but must go by land to Giotheborg and from there

by an English ship to England. The books being mentioned in letters brought by them could not come with them, but they were sent from Stockholm, and so to God be the glory, safely came here.

Wm. Mahlander and young Pietter Jaquette on Swan Cove, carried half of them down in a boat, and Wm. Mahlander willingly and unasked put his horse to the cart, and late Saturday evening the 22nd of November, came from Swan Cove here to Christina with them. The Lord's name be praised. Magister Hessellius has the list of them, how many bibles in folio and psalm books great and small of various sorts.

Friday, December 5th, while I was at St. Georges, they from over the river came and requested and made agreement that Mr. Lidenius should be with them over the winter, and took him home with them. May the Lord God for his Glory bless his forthgoing.

A. D. Thursday, January 8th, I went to St. Georges and Mr. Hessellius went with me and he preached there for the first time.

The first Sunday after Epiphany, January 11th, I gave notice of a general meeting of the congregation fourteen days from the next coming Saturday on the Old Land in good time, and reminded them of it the two following Sundays also.

The 31st of January, on Saturday, was held the meeting as notified above, wherein was read the account I have with Mr. John Hanson Stellman on the debt against the church on their notes.

2nd. It was resolved to call him to a reckoning whether or no, for I am in earnest to go over to Sweden the coming spring. And they chose Charles Springer and Matz Pietterson to attend to it.

3rd. We talked of my journey home and how it could creditably be accomplished, and whether they could promise and provide something thereto or not, so that I could arrange my affairs and have no hindrance.

4th. Magister Hessellius, on account of various rumors among the folk with regard to his time of being here, read anew his commission from Sweden to thoroughly enlighten them so that they had nothing more to say about it.

5th. That this year ought to be reckoned as my fahr-dag or moving year, for one cannot here as in Sweden and other similar countries break up just on a set day and move from one church to another, and therefore all the income till May ought to belong to me, but after the coming May I will have nothing to do with the church or income.

6th. That the Priesthouse and the land will then belong to Magisters Hessellius and Lidenius except what is there at present which has all been collected by me and at my own expense and belongs to me to retain and take away.

7th. Those present wrote down their yearly contribution for the support of the Magisters.

8th. Some on another paper set down what they would give me for traveling expenses.

The first Sunday in Lent, February 22nd, there came over correct news that Mr. Jonas Aureen, the night betwixt previous Monday and Tuesday had died having been taken the Thursday before with pain in the breast of a stabbing and burning kind, and that he was to be buried Tuesday the 24th, but as I could see no convenient way of going over at that season of the year and as Mr. Lidenius was then on that side I bade the

messenger salute him from me and ask him to do what he could through God's grace, as also to inform Mr. Sandall all of which was done, and he preached a funeral sermon over him though not requested. He left behind a widow and two sons the youngest not over five weeks old.

And so Rattcongs Creek is again without a minister, and of the three sent over here by God and the authorities, I alone remain by the good pleasure of God, while the other two who confidently expected to go back to their earthly Fatherland, must lay their weary bones in this wilderness land. What God will be pleased to do with me time will tell. Let his will be done.

The 2nd of March I went up to Mr. Sandall, and the 3rd of March we both went up to Matz Keen. Then the 4th of March we went up to Burlington to the meeting, as the English Priests were to come together from York and Jersey with us from Pennsylvania but as the others did not come only us from Pennsylvania, seven persons, and Mr. Talbot of Burlington, the eighth, we wrote a letter to the Society and Thursday the 5th of March we came back to Frankfort or Oxford to the conse cration. We laid the corner-stone last May and Mr. Talbot preached again from Acts 5th chapter, 29th verse the last words.

Thereupon we went to Mr. Malice's to dinner and staid over night with Matz Keen, and so home again to Mr. Sandall's. To God be the glory.

Sunday mid-lent, March 15th, I gave notice of a meeting next coming Saturday on account of Magister Hessellius and Mr. Lidenius, for the cause tha I not only am to leave the congregation on next coming May

day, but for the special reason of Magister Hessellius talk to me that either he or I must leave the parsonage house.

But indeed I never thought to have moved out of the Priest-house but to go to sea, but now must flit to my old dwelling place on my late father-in-law Pietter Stalcop's land, but so they are to be left with empty house and hands, for all which is there is mine, and there was (*a*) no inventarium provided for me, and nothing thus far has been furnished for the parsonage.

Therefore the congregation must consult and provide for them, or else when I leave they must leave also and they must look out for themselves elsewhere, and so they will not come back to them if the congregation fail to provide for them now where they are and should be, and I bade them take into consideration God's daily mercies to them and be careful what they did.

The 21st of March they came together, and Magister Hessellius explained the above farther, and assured them that he would be satisfied with what they had in their own houses, and that the congregation should provide what necessity required as well for food as other household stuff.

And also that they should provide a horse and boy, for otherwise if they wish either of them to come to them they must send a horse for them, but if they would get a horse for the Priest house they would do as I had been used to do and visit them often at their houses.

I also further instructed them that in this business the first thing in setting a Priest house in order is to procure an inventarium, and that if they had done so for me and sowed the land for me at their own expense, and then delivered it to me and given me poultry and other things, I should now be able to deliver it over to

a. Inventarium household furniture, horses, cows, slaves, servants &c.

my successors, and if they will now do it they will be hereafter rid of this trouble when again a change shall be made, and as this is an unaccustomed for them they should not let it seem strange and hard.

Those present resolved to contribute, and also that two (this time Churchwardens Erick Erickson and young Jacob Van de Ver,) should go around and see what each one would promise to provide, so that it should be in by May, and so that they who are more able shall be first in the meantime, and then the others when the small animals come to grass, and then one send one thing, and another something else the well to do, first, for this year has been the poorest year generally among the people there has been since I came here into this country; for some there was immediately something written down on this list.

At Easter Mr. Lidenius was to come from the other side of the river again.

Long Friday, April 3d, when I was to preach both sermons, it happened that towards morning I became very sick with a chill and thereafter pain in the whole body which held me over Easter till the fourth day when I began to find e se. In the meantime Magister Hessellius and Mr. Lidenius conducted Divine service.

The 3d Sunday after Easter, April 26th, I was so far recovered that (God be praised) I preached, and as this was the last Sunday of my 16 years' labor and duty, for the next Friday was the first of May, I intended to have something specially moving thereon, but was compelled to omit it on account of the powerful storm that came up, so that few people came to the church and so I deferred it till if God will, I may get another opportunity and freedom to do it.

God be sincerely praised for his grace and mercy so faithfully shown to unworthy me all these sixteen years' service and administration, in his dear bought church here in this wilderness.

What now hereafter follows are various experiences and happenings to me personally.

The fourth Sunday after Easter the 3rd of May, (the first Sunday of Magister Hessellius and Mr. Lidenius taking charge at Christina) as with the church, Christ's prepared spiritual bride, so did Magister Hessellius enter into matriomony with Jonas Walraven's daughter Virgin Sarah Walraven, which after three times publishing took place in Christina church, the above named Sunday when I preached the marriage sermon over them from John 3rd Chap., 29th verse; He that hath the Bride, is the Bridegroom, etc., and Mr. Sandall, from Wiccacoe performed all the rest with the speech to the bride at the house and the marriage ceremony, etc., which I would not do on account of my love for and adherence to the customs of my Fatherland and its old customs which I see are being done away with, such as crowning the bride, etc., through the introduction of these English customs. I also read to the congregation at the same time a letter written and signed by Magisters Hessellius and Lindenius concerning what had twice before been discussed, viz: that they must now bring in what they promised or have no more Divine service. I remarked upon this writing as well as I could, and said to the people that they should never let such a scandal be spread and thus anger and grieve God, the authorities and me, etc., etc.

So from present appearances there is no Divine service to be expected here next Sunday or for many

following. In the meantime I talked with Magister Hessellius and Lindenius with regard to their satisfaction, to get exact terms with regard to what they expected as it is not enough to have a thing unless I know how to use and exhibit it on proper occasions.

While in the meantime Mr. Springer, who from the first beginning has been a willing and useful instrument of the Lord in this congregation, though entirely unhonored and unrecompensed therefor, now particularly in this business interested and concerned himself. He offered to keep Mr. Lidenins a whole year freely without any charge to the congregation and furnish him a horse to ride whenever he wished, and nevertheless do his part for Magister Hessellius in the Priest house with the rest of the congregation, if they will take his goodwilling offer for the sake of the credit of the church till we can be in somewhat better order and condition. This very much affected the Magisters and as in the meantime Mr. Springer, Conrad Errick of Crane hook, Lucas Stedham, etc., had brought in for them to begin with at their housekeeping, they promised to begin Divine service the following Sunday, which was Rogation Day, May 10th, which was done and Mr. Lidenins preached and Thursday following he moved into the house as I had on Tuesday, the 5th of May, left altogether, wife, children and furniture and removed to my house on my late father-in-law Pietter Stallcop's place, and my wife's sister, Mariah Stallcop was with us the whole time.

Saturday, the 9th of May, Magister Hessellius with his wife moved into the house to go on with his service and calling, and thereto may the good God give both to them and the church his grace and blessing, that lov-

ing and upbuilding unity and agreement may come for Jesus Christ's sake in the power of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The 4th day, Pentecost, May 27th, I preached on the other side of the river at the house of the late Von Nemmen's widow, the place of preaching having been chosen by Paul Jaquette by the river. When I with some words took my leave of them using for the occasion the text: "The Father draweth him," saying how I had been drawn with them for sixteen years, I being an instrument drawn by the Holy Spirit. That now the good God had let two come over, who easier than one can draw a load and burden.

I notified them that those teachers had called a meeting at Christina the next coming Saturday, and that they on that side must come over that they may hear.

That they must, as heretofore, still hold together and help each other, for so they can have so much the more, and more ready services of these ministers, than they heretofore have been able to have of me who have been alone. And I promised them all my service and furtherance, and especially that they now with Mr. Hessellius' leave should have Mr. Lidenins more continuously with them.

Friday, June 5th, I preached at St. Georges, when I let them know that my time was up and that they must unite heartily with these two ministers sent over in my place by God and the authorities, so that they may give them service as I have, that I had already said much to the ministers on their account, but that if they do not come to the church the ministers will think they are not satisfied with the service at Christina, and in the meantime I promised to serve them occasionly till they should be with Magister Hessellius.

Now, though I have separated myself from Christina Church, but yet cannot at the right time this summer set out for Sweden to arrive in good time before winter, on account of my wife's condition, she being pregnant.

I have concluded to remain till the next spring, and in the mean time not to lie entirely idle, but to serve for the general good. And as for a time the English Priest at New Castle, Mr. Jacob Henderson, by reason of his marriage down near Annapolis in Maryland, was necessitated to be often at that place, he agreed with me to attend to his church at New Castle in his absence, for which I should have half of his income, he now and then coming up to them, till he by transfer can remain at home, being dismissed from New Castle and another from England being appointed in his place.

I therefore accepted his proposition and am to be with them every Sunday and Friday, and whenever else my service is needed by them.

A. D. 1714, January 15th on Friday, Mons. Gustaff Hessellius came down from Philadelphia with a heap of letters for me and Magister Hessellius and Mr. Lidenius, which have come over with Capt. Richardson from the Highworthy Bishop in Skara, Dr. Jesper Swedberg.

The first to me was dated Brunsbo in Skara, August 6th, 1713, which informed me among other things that the high worthy Bishop had written to the King for me to be appointed to the Old Copper Berget, and also that a school-master had been sent here from Skara with the promise of the Archbishop to procure for him a salary as soon as the King should come home.

This schoolmaster came in the autumn and kept school in Wiccacoe congregation. His name is Heer Bohn and he is a quiet and capable person.

The 2nd letter dated August 12th same year was in answer to mine of May 5th, 1713, in which the High worthy Bishop as he had learned that I was to remain here this year, had been pleased to confer upon me the honor to be Provost over these Swedish Churches for the time that I remain.

The words run thus:—"Your Honorworthy's two letters I received at the same time yesterday. The first was of the same import as that received eight days before and was immediately answered. To God be everlasting praise for upholding you in health, and as I understand that Magister Andreas Hessellius has already entered upon his duties now in this May month, may God give much happiness and blessing in the name of Jesus.

And as your worthiness for the present year does not come therefrom, I will therefore herewith request that your Honorworthiness will not uphold your hand from the congregations. And so that all may proceed in an orderly manner and that your Honorworthiness may have more abundant opportunity thereto, I make and order your Honorworthiness herewith to be Provost over the Swedish churches which are there in India, with the sincere wish that God will pour grace and blessing as heretofore so hereafter; I shall look to have proper statements of various matters, and for myself shall not fail to take care for your best interests both in general and particular.

May God help us to peace and our gracious King home again, and Herr Provost when you write home again write in such a manner that I can show the letters to the King and Royal Council. There has not yet come any answe with regard to the Stor Kopperberg (*a*) for no letter has been received from our King. All is

a. Great copper mine, used instead of Fahlun where it is stiuated.

uncertainty and what one Post tells for truth the next upsets. He mentions that he has written to Magister Hesseliius to be contented if it should not be just so here in everything as they would have it at once, for tribulation has not taken itself off either with Priest or people, for in Sweden also many churches have their hardships. To the others I beg the Herr Provost to present my humble greetings, etc., etc., and also to the Christly Swedish congregations collectively, with the sincere wish that God will grant them all spiritual and temporal blessings to their everlasting happiness. If I get good prayers for myself in return, I am richly paid for all my trouble and efforts.

God help and bless you all in Jesus' name.

I remain your Honorworthy
Sir Provost's Obedient servant and
True Friend
JESPER SWEDBERG.

Brunsbo, August 12th, 1713.

P. S.—I now write to the Bishop in London and thank him for the favors shown you in that country, and ask him to continue his goodness.

Now in what concerned the worthy Bishop's appointment of me as Provost, and to superintend business among us Swedish ministers, I thought I should keep it to myself, but as Magister Hessellius had the same in his letter and came to congratulate me therefor, I then spoke my mind thereupon and said that notwithstanding, with due respect I appreciate the high honor nevertheless I shall not exercise the office, because the time is now short and my thoughts only to hurry home, none the less shall be ready to whatever falls in my way that tends to advance the good of the churches, and as in duty bound will do them any service that I can.

The 3rd letter dated the 28th of same month and same year, had the following contents:

Honorworthy Sir Provost and
Church Pastor.

Notwithstanding I have within a short time written several letters to your Honorworthiness, yet I am now induced to write and announce the happy tidings that his Royal Majesty has upon my humble representation favored you with Fahlun's Pastorate, for which the Royal commission has come written at Tamerlask near Adrianople, June 23rd, 1713. So does God care for and reward his own. Now in the Lord's name make haste home—the sooner the better—and faithfully labor in the vineyard, where the Lord's will and my wish sends you.

Thank God for the lawful and regular call and expect there every possible blessing from God. I am especially glad therefor because it is my birth-place.

His Royal Majesty has also on my humble representation promised a bell and organ and 600 Psalm books, and pay for a school-master. God be eternally glorified and His name be praised.

You must soon write to his Majesty a humble thanksgiving letter *though short.*

We have now again good tidings of his Majesty, and that he will soon come out of Turkey into Christendom and into his own realm.

Magister Tillag the late Provost Eckman's son-in-law had the call of the congregation and the rescript of the Royal Council for himself. May God reward and comfort you and stir up your fellow laborers to like diligence.

If you delay after the first of May, let me know if I may correspond with the Consistory for a Priest, to carry

on the service till your Honorworthiness shall come yourself.

Salute all your fellow laborers from me and beseech them to be diligent in labor and to pull together. I shall gladly embrace every opportunity to promote their good.

I have written and thanked the Bishop in London and requested him to continue in his good offices and favor to the Swedish Churches out there.

I also cordially salute your congregations. May God sustain and bless you all together in Jesus' name.

How is it? Cannot there be any heathen converted?

Good faith, good living will do much, and faithful prayer.

Logomachy questions and scholastic subtleties are good for nothing.

I have also newly written to all your colleagues. May they be faithfully directed by God.

I constantly remain his Honorworthy, the Herr Provost's most willing and ready for service Servant and faithful friend

JESPERUS SWEDBERG.

Brunsbo, August 28th, 1713; which was my birthday, sixty years ago. To God be praise for mot och med. (Trials and blessings.)

The 4th and last letter of the 18th of September of the same year is a short compend of the former with the addition. It is said that Stanislaus is coming into Poland with 70,000 Turks, and our King with him with the P. S. that we must not by any means give Quakers, Calvinists and Heathen cause or occasion to speak ill of our teaching, which you in former years have frequently been reminded of, and to be in unity with the English Church.

However much I was intending to go over in the Spring, yet now I was especially encouraged and enlivened by such an unexpected and overjoying letter to hasten so much the more and stout heartedly.

So I let the church here and at Wiccacoe and those on the other side all together understand that for their sakes I would remain a little longer, that they with so good opportunity might now show some sign of thankfulness through me towards Sweden, especially as I through God's favor am the first Priest to return back again after such innumerable favors from home by sending over Priests and books for these many years, so that then I can speak in their favor with much more boldness, when I have the favor and honor to present myself there before a so pious King and so gracious authorities.

And that the collection be made by Easter, the last of March or the first of April, for it is my intention to go away in April.

This was furthered by Magister Hessellius through a beautiful and discreet writing by him thereon read to the congregation here at Christina, the copy of which reads as follows:

As it now through God's all-wise providence and gracious pleasure has proceeded so far that His Royal Majesty of Sweden has not only sometime since called home his Highworthiness Herr Magister Ericus Biork who has been for a long time this Church's faithful, zealous and well deserving pastor and soul-watcher, but now furthermore by open commission graciously called him to be provost and church pastor in the important and widely celebrated city of Fahlun, at the great copper mines in Sweden, whereto may God his all clement blessings bestow.

And as this Christly congregation is generally informed that the well-born, his Highworthiness Herr Provost, with his whole honorable family are now in the Lord's name intending after some few weeks, speedily to depart from here by ship to their Father's country to enter upon the high charge committed to him by God and the King, it becomes now the high duty and obligation of us all not only to come before God with faithful prayers for a so dear and true teacher whom God for so many years has graciously blessed and continued in his Church for a sure pledge of his great grace in planting and sustaining Christianity in a land lying so far from Christendom, and has sustained him through great labors and hardships, but each one for himself, all in common and each one in particular, without demur or further delay to the extent of his ability, contribute not only what may promote and be necessary for the journey of the Herr Provost but also as each one can easily make out new skins, peltry and other goods which here in this country are very common but for the sake of the distance and strangeness of the country be reckoned rare and curious in Sweden. This also would be a humble acknowledgment to God for his unspeakable grace and a humble token of admiration of our dear Sweden's King whom the All Powerful God has been pleased to use as his holy instrument to advance the Kingdom of Christ also here and as a sign of an upright love toward their faithful soulcarers.

It is however to be presumed, that none of the members of this church will indulge the foolish thought or be simple enough to believe, that any in Sweden and the less the high parties intended in this place, should for their profit or advantage desire this land's wares for in that land far more costly things in greater abundance are found as well as the common and small.

But you are to consider that somethingthough of little value and very common here presented to them would nevertheless be received and accepted by them with satisfaction and pleasure so that a kindness so cheap here with us will be fully appreciated and acknowledged. So much and more are all bound to remember everyone I say so that through unthankfulness no one may bring God's disfavor upon himself Each one who will not, will with coldness and indifference tend to uproot out great benefits from Sweden, for we can recompense in no other way but by love and good-will towards the faithful people of Sweden and His Majesty's subjects who come here to devote their time to God's glory and the salvation of souls. And these benefits and kindnesses you may have further good hope of, when you send home in this manner this your former soul's shepherd so that he may be able to advance your interests before the high parties concerned in Sweden, with the best of recommendations and that this may be accomplished, may we all earnestly ask the All Merciful God.

Thereupon Mr. Springer, who from the beginning, afterwards all through and so likewise now at the end of my being here has always been the first to set forward what he understood to be for God's glory and the church's best good and also with him a no less faithfull and willing member of our congregation from the time that he first began to understand our language so that he could have the benefit of our Swedish Divine service (for he was an Englishman, but married among us) namely, Edward Robinson. Thereupon these two I say took the trouble early in March to go from house to house and exhort and persuade the people to now show a free heart for their own honor when it shall be reported at home, and they there get to know what each

one has done in this business. I heard nothing to the contrary but that all were glad of such an opportunity to finally accomplish something for me, and promised to do their highest duty each one according to his ability. Mr. Sandall also moved in the business in the upper congregation, and Mr. Springer wished to go on the other side of the river, but it was very difficult; so Mr. Lidenius took hold and was unwearied, and did his best to set before the people the whole matter.

This year 1714, April 26, a Monday, there came up here to me, Lucus Stedham, Peter Mounsson, Edward Robinson and Matz Petersson of the Church Council, and talked with me about the old accounts, what is backstanding, and of the agreements and indebtedness. I answered them that it all stands set down in the church book and was published some Sundays before it was written in when they all should have come and heard the upreading, and so have righted anything contained in the church book, or seen if anything was left out which should have been inserted. But that I had heard of nothing missed, only if I now remembered right a day's work of Gabriel Petersson which was righted, but otherwise the whole stood in this reckoning which I read up to them.

I showed them receipts over the whole time of the building of the church, and thereupon all was at least all clean in writing in the church book.

Peter Mounson wished that I would give notice and opportunity for any who may think himself not righted to come and have it done now while I am still here, and I willingly consented to that.

Peter Mounson then began to talk of what was brought forward in my general meeting of the past year, which

was that no more should be paid to John Hanson Stellman than was in my hands, for he said John Hanson was with him at one time and threatened angrily that he should not rely on me when I should be away, but would depend upon others of the Church Council to get his own. I answered that he need not fear, for John Hanson has no proper bond, but simply an acknowledgment that there was £220 owing him, but which is balanced by the account of payments made at sundry times as the statement will show.

A true and just account of what Capt. John Hance Stellman has at several times had of me in payment of the £220 which was borrowed of him when the church at Christina was building as follows:

		£	s	d
	Discounted Mr. Stellman's subscription to the church,	5	0	0
1699.	To paid Pieter Stalcop,	3	0	0
July 13th.	To Several Books,	0	6	3
" 13th.	" Wampum several times,	2	4	0
Oct. 4th.	" Freight of 4 Casks of Rum delivered at Christeen,	0	12	0
Nov. 3rd.	To Alexander the Millwright,	3	0	0
" 20th.	" A Black Stone Horse,	4	10	0
1700.				
April 4th.	" John Anderson Cock,	6	0	0
May 6th.	" Paid Regner Von Culen's widow,	2	0	0
" 20th.	" James La Fost per order and in presence of Capt. Stellman,	1	0	0
Aug. 18th.	" Charles Springer,	6	0	0
Sept. 5th.	" John Anderson Gioding,	1	0	0
" 30th.	" John Anderson Gioding,	15	0	0
Oct. 2nd.	" Alexander the Millwright,	4	0	0
" 30th.	" John Anderson Gioding,	1	5	0
Nov. 3rd.	" Alexander the Millwright,	3	0	0
Dec. 6th.	" Mr. Stellman himself,	8	0	0
1701.				

		£	s.	d.
Jan. 10th.	" John Anderson Gioding,	1	0	0
" 12th.	" Pietter Stalcop,	4	5	0
April 20th.	" Several books bound in this country,	3	15	0
May 28.	To Peter Yocomb,	1	0	0
June 2.	To J. Hance himself,	5	0	0
June 9.	To Peter Yocomb,	1	5	0
1702.				
May 2.	To Peter Yocomb,	6	0	0
1702.				
May 2.	To Pietter Jacquette,		14	0

N. B —From the year 1702 in the fall, to the year 1703 in the fall, there was nothing paid, because the money was stopped and attached in behalf of Matthias De Foss.

1703.				
Aug. 7th.	To Matthias De Foss,	12	0	0
Sept. 15th.	To Christian Vinson,	4	10	0
Oct. 30th.	To Nicolass Quest,	19	8	0
1704, Nov. 6th.	To Wholle Thomas's widow,	4	0	0
1705, Oct. 15th.	To Robert Hayes,	1	13	8
1706, Aug. 9th.	To Henry Snicker,	6	0	0
1705, June 19th.	To Henry Boone,	0	11	6
1707,	To paid Mr. James Couts per order,	20	0	0
1711.				
Nov. 30th.	To paid Mr. James Couts upon attachment,	40	0	0
Nov. 30th.	To paid the widow Sarah De Foss on attachment,	43	0	0
Nov. 30th.	To paid Sarah De Foss on Stellmans account,	6	0	0
		246	5	5

A true and just account, as witness my hand this 26th June, 1714. ERICUS BIORK.

Memorandum, That Simon Johnson at Elk River, paid to John Hanson four pounds on Mr. Biork's account, which must be added to this account.

I underwritten, do hereby make known and acknowledge that

I and John Hance Stellman have never made up our accounts nor settled them, although he has by me and others of the Churchwardens often been thereunto required, I do also acknowledge that I have given the said Stellman a note from under my hand and seal for 220£ in the year 1705, but it is sincerely to be understood as by the above account appears, that the principal is paid and the greatest part of the interest, for several years the money was attached, and for that time there is no reason that he should lawfully demand interest.

Moreover, the reason that I gave him my note for the above sum was, I gave it at his earnest request, he thinking thereby he should be discharged from the action that was commenced against him by Col. John Evans, who then was Governor, for taking unlawful interest 10 per cent. Thinking that therein I could do Mr. Stellman a kindness without my own damage, and because he had been kind to us to lend us this money, I therefore could not deny him my note for the 220£, as witness my hand and seal this 26th day of June, 1714.

ERICUS BIORK.

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Thus I have as well as possible set down what has happened from the first day I came into this place till now my last, for the information of those who shall come after me and it is to be hoped that what is written of the congregation and myself, may not seem strange and that no unfair representation has been made, for nothing has been written to fault the congregation, for the organization was comparatively new, and it could not be expected that everything should have gone so straight forward and so right as in other much older churches.

The place in which we live and the times, customs and conditions, being under Quakers, etc., rendered it necessary to proceed in a different manner than if we could have help from any government or court.

We could not accomplish everything as we wished, and what we have done some years ago might now perhaps be more wisely arranged, and what is now being arranged may be done better some years hereafter.

Whoever therefore reads or hears this will please to reflect that nothing can be so wisely and prudently done that might not afterwards be done otherwise.

All beginnings generally have difficulties about them which if they are not by patience and perseverance overcome, can never go forward and much less come to a successful end.

I have never been so overcome by any obstacle that I did not always rejoice in it as a trial of my calling, and felt that it was a partaking with others in difficulties and trials, however little. In short let all who read, interpret all for the best and as time and circumstances will allow improve what can be improved, and so may he receive the same charity from his successors, as I now ask of those who come after me. "*Homo sum humani a me nikil puto.*" And I assure the friendly reader that nothing knowingly has been done wrong.

So then

(*a*) May the Lord God grant to his Christina Church,
There should never fail those who worship in the spirit and the truth,
And give grace to the shepherds to so watch the flock,
That they with thy sheep may meet in Heaven.

My God, I thank Thee for all grace received the sixteen years in course that I have served thee here;
Herefrom, now called home and with Fahlun honored.
O me unworthy dust, far more than I thought to be worthy
Of God's and the *King's favor and our *Bishop's trust,

*King Charles XII, *Dr. Swedberg Bishop of Skara.

a. This is in sense in the original.

Whose care for souls here is written in the work itself.

My God, what is well done is thine, but mine, what is missed.

In faith it written, is in faith my name is written last.

ERICUS BIORK.

Christina, June 29th 1714. The day that I started on my long journey from here out to Sweden, with my dear wife Christina Peter Stalcop's daughter, and my children, Tobias, Magdalena, Catharina, Christina and Maria, with my brother-in-law, John Cornelius Van de Ver and his wife Maria, Peter Stalcop's daughter, and a fatherless child, Anna, Lylof Stidham's daughter, who had lived with me from infancy.

Note a.—Tobias was the author of a work, Dissertatio Gradualis de Plantatione, Ecc. Suec. in America and signs himself Tobias Eric Biorck, Americano Delcarlus i. e., an American of Dalecarlia.

b.—Mr. Biork entered immediately on the pastorate of the church in the City of Fahlun, in Dalcarlia, where he died in 1740.

CHRISTINA CONGREGATION'S

CHURCH BOOK

FROM THE YEAR AFTER CHRIST'S BIRTH, 1713, FOR THE FOLLOWING TIME TILL 1756.

THIS BOOK WAS GIVEN BY THE FORMER CHURCH WARDEN, WILLIAM VAN DE VER, FOR THE USE OF CHRISTINA CHURCH IN 1712.

LETTER OF COUNCIL OF SWEDEN.

By His Royal Majesty's Present Royal Council be it known :

That as His Royal Majesty our Most Gracious King by his open letter, dated Head Quarters Smorgonia, in Lilhuania, the 21st February, 1708, has most graciously made known to the Swedish congregations in India, His High Royal care for them as well in general as in particular, with order to the proper authorities to send over to them ten copies in folio regalii of the Bible and a number of Swedish psalm books, and also to procure some good soulcarers to be sent by His Royal Majesty in place of the returning teacher of God's Word Ericus Biork, and he had appointed a very proper and capable man named Andreas Haquinius and with him an assistant in the ministry of the word, and he having been prevented by death here at home while preparing for his journey, and we considering it necessary—and the sooner the better—to carry out His Royal Majesty's Christly and Godly intentions for the spiritual care and prosperity of the said congregations to cheer them and provide for them good and efficient Priests. Therefore we in the absence of His Majesty far away, and in his great name in accordance with his Majesty's graciously given instructions, now after the departure of Mr. Haquiniaus have chosen and appointed His Royal Majesty's subject Magister Andreas Hessellius of whose learning, piety, discretion, grave manners and good gifts we have knowledge to be a priest in the Swedish Congregation in India in place of Ericus Biork. And we have also ordered the Priestman Mr. Abram Lidenius to be his assistant in teaching and preaching the Word, and any service necessary in the congregation. We also send over ten vols. of the Bible in folio regalii and three

hundred Swedish psalm books to be distributed among the members of the congregations, and we doubt not that these two ministers sent out will do everything in their power to give a satisfactory and edifying service in the Church, and they may be assured of the continued favor and good will of His Royal Majesty as he has most graciously declared to them in his Royal letter dated February 21st, 1708, the original of which is annexed.

And to conclude; we respectfully suggest, that in all things possible you endeavor to retain the favor of the English Court and the good will of Wm Penn the proprietor, we being especially moved to this on account of the fact that he has made complaint to our Royal Minister resident in London, Count Gyllenborg, about some small neglect toward him, Mr. Penn being Governor over the country, which complaint in case it shall be found well grounded, can easily and willingly be corrected in the future to his satisfaction and the good and convenience of yourselves.

And we commend both churches in common, and each in particular, to God's most gracious protection and care.

For greater surety we have signed this with our own hands and confirmed it with the seal of His Royal Majesty.

Given at Stockholm, the 23d of June, 1711. [L. S.]

F. WREDE, G. FALKENBERG, C. D. G. FRALIK, N. STROMBERG, KNUT POSSE, ARVED HORN, J. SPENS, A. LEVONSTEDT

To the Swedish Churches in the West Indies.

Letter of Bishop Swedberg.

To the Christly Swedish Churches in the West Indies and Pennsylvania

With the desire that the grace, peace and blessing of God Almighty be with them through our Lord Jesus Christ.

So does God show to you his grace my beloved brothers and sisters in Christ, to you though far separated from us, that now through my efforts you receive more of God's word and Godly books, and also two learned, mild and God-fearing Priest men of whom their commission, letters and testimonials will fully certify.

I cannot doubt that God's grace and the King's earnest desire and care for your spiritual welfare will be cause of great gladness to you, when you get to know of it. Wherefore the Christly congregation has especial reason to praise God for his goodness, and acknowledge His Royal Majesty's favor, and also by their acts and christian walk, daily being obedient and submissive to God, so that he shall be pleased now and henceforth to grant them abundant grace to their eternal salvation and it will be great joy to me to hear that these priest-men are heartily welcomed.

And I am pursuaded that they as good priests will be faithful in their teaching and service and give good satisfaction.

And so long as God shall spare me life it shall be my greatest pleasure to be able to do you all necessary service, if I only am informed of your needs and circumstances.

I was the means of the sending your faithful soul-carer, the Honorworthy Mr. Ericus Biork, who by his faithful labors and earnest zeal has been of great and highly satisfactory service to the congregation, and he will have a suitable reward and recognition here in Sweden when God shall help him home.

Obey now these servants of the Lord sent out to you, who will in accordance with their office and trust be ready for all needed service for the church with good will and love.

Honor and treat them as messengers of our Lord, and so will God bless and reward you in body and soul. Fear God with a pure heart. Hold firmly to your Saviour, Jesus Christ, and he will never fail you if you trust in his promises. Live in brotherly unity and love with each other that Satan may not sow tares and discord among you.

I say with the Apostle Peter, I exhort you as strangers and (*a*) miserable (who are far from your country) abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul, and walk circumspectly among the heathen, so that they who are accustomed to speak of you as evil doers, may see your good works and glorify God when (*b*) it comes to the light of day. Submit yourself to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake, whether it be to the King as Supreme or unto governors as unto them that are sent by Him for the punishment of evil doers, and the praise of them that do well. For so is the will of God, that by well doing, ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men. As free, yet not using your

a. The Bishop follows the old version.

b. This is a correct quotation from the old version but their new has in the day of visitation like ours.

liberty as a cloak of maliciousness, but as God's servants. Honor all, love the brotherhood, fear God; honor the King. 1st Peter, 2d, 11th, &c.

God keep you altogether from all evil. God bless and increase you all in all good. God bless you more and more, you and your children. Ye are the blessed of the Lord who hath made heaven and earth.

What more may be necessary to teach, exhort, remind and set in order, your priestman will rightly attend to the blessing and grace of God, the powerful and mild presence of Jesus Christ, and the comfort of the Holy Ghost fill your soul, spirit and heart, and may we all meet in heaven at last with mutual love and joy among the angels of God, and praise God and the Lamb and converse with each other to the ultimate enjoyment of of all desires.

Your Faithful Servant and Advocate

Brunsbo, Bishops Gard at Skara, Sept. 7th, 1711. JESPERUS SWEDBERG, Bishop in Skara.

May 30th, 1713.—A meeting of the congregation of Holy Trinity Church at Christina, was held in the priest house on the old land, and they were present from both sides of the river.

The Priests present were Magister Andreas Hesselius and Mr. Abraham Lidenius and the following matters were brought forward and acted upon.

First there was a faithful and earnest prayer to God for his blessing on whatever was before us.

Then the Priests stated and urged the necessity of the congregation remaining in concord and good order, not only in church matters and public worship, but also in christian life and character, and that their children

should be properly brought up and instructed in their own homes.

And as regards the former there is no more expedient means to be found, next to the preaching of God's pure and sanctifying word and a right use of the sacraments, and strictly following the doctrines and teachings of the catechism, than a strict attention to the system of church discipline which his Royal Majesty's Highness of Sweden promulgated, and which he presented to this church which was adopted by it and approved by them, but owing to the situation of the country and its circumstances as to government and secular affairs, should be applied only to religious and spiritual matters.

The ministers also said that in accordance with their Priestly oath which was at the same time read and explained to the congregation, they would not deviate under any pretext from this good order and regulation, and that they would not only insist upon a strict conformity to their oaths by their comrades, but would hold the congregation itself in its members to a good and proper church discipline, whereby we glorify God and save the souls of men.

And it is moreover in accordance with our duty to our gracious sovereignty in this part of the world, to so orderly conduct ourselves in as much as this church discipline will in no way prejudice the government of this country, and the Priests themselves who are sent here as faithful Swedish by His Royal Majesty in Sweden, are assured of the gracious permission and free license of her Majesty the Queen, of Great Britain, to teach and enjoy the Christian Lutheran religion in this country, and so long as God and the authorities ordain and decide that we shall remain in the country belonging to the Crown of Great Britain, we will bind our-

selves in all humble respect and veneration to her Majesty the Queen of Great Britain, being indebted to her the same as her own subjects are.

These matters having been presented and fully approved by the congregation, the Priests mentioned and called the attention of the congregation to some particular articles of the church ordinances or canons, viz:

1st. To be always all present when the general confession for sin is read, Chapter 2nd of the Canon, Section 5th, verse 2nd.

2nd. To present children at an early age for baptism, Chapter 3rd, Section 2nd, verse 3rd.

3rd. Concerning the witnesses at the baptism of children—what ought to be the qualification of those who are asked to serve in that capacity, and that they should be previously made known to the pastors, Chapter 3rd, Section 5th, verse 4th.

4th. To frequently celebrate the Lord's Supper, Chapter 11th, Section 2nd, verse 4th.

5th. Regulating espousals and marriages—that they are not allowable according to church law before mature age, and not without consent of parents, and must be without compulsion or secrecy, and not before being well instructed in Christian doctrines, Chapter 15th, Section 5-6-10-11-12.

1st. After all these things had been presented and explained in a suitable manner, the congregation assented to and adopted them as rules to guide them, and the pastors promised that at a proper time they would again read these and other important articles of the church discipline from the pulpit in church.

2nd. In order that the above resolutions should be efficient, the pastors asked the congregation if they

were willing to elect some persons who were suitable to serve as a Church Council, who should have with the pastors a consistorial authority with regard to the church discipline and Divine service, and in the name of the whole church determine and decide all matters connected with our Christian community, to which the congregation unanimously consented.

And after consultation it was concluded that twelve suitable members who were devoted to the interests of the church should be chosen, and the following good men were selected with their own consent and that of the congregation, of whom each shall have one vote to two for each Priest man, that all of ti em together may conduct the offices of the church in a perfect manner.

From this side of the river:

1. Mr. Carl Christopher Springer,
2. " Peter Mansson,
3. " Edward Robinson,
4. " Jonas Walraven,
5. " Matthias Peterson,
6. " Jean Anderson Gioding,
7. " Lucas Stedham.

From the other side of the river:

8. Mr. Jacob Van de Ver,
9. " Jacob Hindersson,
10. " Lucas Petersson,
11. " George Litien,
12. " Jean Vanneman.

3d. With regard to the support of the Priest, the congregation said that they in proportion to their ability would provide not only for their lodging and maintainance but would provide all necessary household furniture, servants and small animals.

And that they will also clean, till and plow the land for them, and that they would give them also a stated salary for their service. The salary had been considered at the last meeting, but no decision was come to on account of want of unanimity and agreement of the members upon the subject, wherefore it was now resolved to leave the matter to the Churchwardens, who were to conclude upon the salary as soon as possible, and to facilitate the business two Churchwardens on the other side of the river were chosen, viz: Oloff Van Naeman, and Timothy Stedham for that part of the congregation.

4th. The pastors offered their services to the congregation in visiting their homes, teaching and catechising their children, provided they would send a horse for them, as it would be impossible to visit families so scattered and distant on foot, to which Mr. Edward Robinson answered that he would as soon as possible provide a horse to be used for that service.

5th. That part of the congregation living on the other side of the river, asked if it could not be so arranged that one of the Priests could take up his permanent abode with them, to which the Priests replied that they very willingly would, agreeably to their duty and calling, be at their service so far as they should be supplied with necessary support and means of living, and in answer, that part of the congregation promised to show proof by paying for services thus far performed with further promise of payment for the incoming year.

After all had been done and concluded, the assembly earnestly hoped that all had been done to the Glory of Good, and the good of the church, and therefore after a loving good-bye, we separated.

That all was at the above named general meeting, done and assented to, we the underwritten Church Council are witness to on the part of the congregation.

CHARLES SPRINGER, PETER PETERSSON,
His His
PETER P. MANSSON, LUCAS D STEDHAM,
Mark. Mark.
EDWARD E. ROBINSON, JACOB VAN DE VER,
JONAS M. WALRAVEN, JACOB HINDRIKSSON,
MATTHIAS PETERSSON, GEORGE LITIEN,
JOHN GIODING.

A. D. 1713, June 7th. So many of the Church Council as were present, were called together after the close of Divine service and before them

1st. Was read the before mentioned, and it was approved.

2nd. Church warden Eric Ericksson on Cranehook was directed to visit all those of the congregation who have not contributed toward the support of the Priests, before the next meeting of the members that they may without delay, be forward to do their part toward the support of Divine service according to the determination of the last church meeting, which the Church warden promised to attend to.

3rd. The Priests propose that the improper custom of laying money on the cloth at the administration of the Lord's Supper be discontinued, which proposition on account of the good reasons alleged, was unanimously approved.

4th. The Church Council were instructed to notify their neighbors during the coming weeek to clear, prepare and fence the Priest land, which they promised.

A. D., 1713, June 24. There was a meeting of the congregation at the parsonage house, on the Old Land, at which the following business was transacted:

1st. The Protocol of the last meeting with the attesting

signatures of the present Church Council affixed, acting for the congregation, was read.

2nd. Elected Churchwardens, viz: William Van de Ver and Jacob Van de Ver by unanimous consent.

3rd. The Priests offered their service to keep the church accounts, provided the Churchwardens shall receive and take care of them without further trouble to themselves.

4th. The congregation assembled, resolved that the church money shall be deposited in the chest given to the church by Christian Joranssön for that purpose, which should always stand in the church, the Churchwardens keeping the key of the same, so that whenever any of the members of the congregation want to make change in payment, it can be made to them by the Churchwardens in the church, and thus all mistakes and misunderstandings be obviated. This was agreed to and so done.

5th. It was resolved that when it was necessary to pay out any money for church expenses, the Church Council shall consider the case, and the Churchwardens shall then give out the money according to their decision.

6th. It was proposed with regard to the regular salary of the Priests, that there should be a certainty, whereupon it was resolved that the Churchwardens should take care for it, but as regards the present year's salary, Mr. Springer promised to bring it to a certain and just conclusion.

7th. Philip Van de Ver resigned as bell ringer, and in his place James Stedham was chosen with the assurance of the congregation that he should have the same pay as the former bell-ringer.

8th. Oloff Von Neeman, the Churchwarden from the other side of the river, came and presented a list of hearers on the other side, who were willing to subscribe for the support of a Priest who should live with them the whole year round. The amount of subscription was twenty pounds old currency, exclusive of board, and the proposition was referred by the Priests to the congregation for their decision, and they decided that such an allowance was not a reasonable one, because a Priest man should be considered of more value than an ordinary hired man of ordinary work, who can at this time get a like sum for his yearly wages.

Thereupon Capt. Jacobus Van de Ver and Churchwarden Oloff Von Neeman who were the only ones present from the other side, said that they would bring the hearers on their side of the river to a reasonable determination. And after all this through a useful discussion, and in love and friendship was concluded, the whole meeting separated each to his home with an affectionate farewell to the pastors.

July 5th. After the close of Divine service the last minutes were read to those of the Church Council who were present and by them approved.

July 19th. The Church Council was called together after the close of Divine service.

1st. To present the occasion of the coming ministers meeting here at Christina, viz; to cherish and maintain christian unity betwixt the English and Swedish churches with brotherly confidence betwixt the teachers of both, which the Council thought well of.

2nd. The Priests announced the conclusion of His Honorworthiness Mr. Lidenius to journey home to Sweden again for lack of support, of which lack how-

ever both Priests are sharers, and so will the congregation have less to answer for before God if they fail to properly support one Priest than if two should suffer need.

But to this the Church Council would not consent and said the Priests must be patient still longer and wait for the decided and authoratative opinion thereon of the congregation.

3d. Mr. Springer complained that evil reports against the church were circulated among the English, and it was answered that it ought to be inquired into, and the falsehood of the slanderous reports be shown, and in case anyone may be able to trace such by private inquiry and discourse, the best way would be to refute by word and protest, and never give strangers occasion or opportunity to blame them.

The Priests promised as much as in them lay to arrest further trouble.

4th. Again it was inquired with regard to salaries of the Priests why a list had not been made up, therefor and presented, and Mr. Springer answered that on account of the present harvest time, he could not yet attend to it but promised that in a month he would have all made out in a right and proper manner.

A. D. 1713, July 28th. Mr. Edward Robinson promised in presence of some of the Church Council a lick (*a*) spade for the church which promise he fulfilled April 12th, 1715.

Mr. Gioding received from the church a copy of Hafenrefferi's compendium in Swedish, for which he promised to pay five shillings old currency as soon as possible.

August 2nd, Mr. John Cock and Joran Andersson came before the Church Council as delegates from the

a. For burials.

Swedish families in St. Georges, with the request that the Priests might visit them and hold Divine service in their houses, to which the Priests as they understood that they were members of the church at Christina, replied that they would give them all the service accordant with their calling, so soon as their proper hearers can render their pastors able to journey to them.

But if in the meantime they should not be faithful to the church but should go after other teachers, the Priests will be excusable if they refuse them their services, which afterwards and at another time will not be easily recovered. The deputies answered that they would do the best they could.

2nd. The Priests inquired about the mass wine, where it should be obtained.

Wm. Van de Ver said that it was customary to take as much from the church money each time as was needed therefor.

The Priest thought that it would be more convenient to get as much as will be necessary on the credit of the church, and then at the end of the year pay for the whole at once, which was agreed to.

August 16th, Mr. Springer gave in a list of the hearers in Christina congregation on this side the river with what they had promised toward the yearly salary of their *soulcares*, amounting to 48£, 9 shillings old currency.

This list was accepted by the pastors on the condition that for the present year it may be proved whether or not they can subsist upon it but if it should fall out otherwise they will not be bound to be satisfied with such small compensation without an increase.

The Church Council thought this reasonable, and that there ought to be an increase and that the Priests ought

to be generously supported, and promised them all necessary help for the cultivation of the land.

As to what the other side would do they promised to ascertain and help them to, as soon as the hearers on that side shall perfect their list.

3rd. The Council requested the Priests to take the money which has been collected from the first of May until this time, and therewith help themselves in their present strait as far as it will go, and they accepted the offer on condition that they would keep an account thereof, and so the congregation see to what necessities the said money is applied.

4th. Mr. Gioding and Churchwarden Jacobus Van de Ver promised to visit those hearers who have not yet contributed anything toward the support of the pastors in order to bring them to reason by some means.

5th. Mr. Hessellius promised to spare his colleague from this side the river, to the hearers on the other side, on condition that they once a month while the water is open, send for himself to do for them as his parishioners the proper services pertaining to the duty of a lawfully called Priest, which was considered reasonable.

August 23d. The over river folk came with their list of hearers on that side with a statement of dues toward the salary of the pastors, amounting to 44 pounds old currency.

September 13th. There was presented to the Church Council a bond of the amount of 3 pounds, 15 shillings given to Brigita Gilliamson by Peter Mayer, collectable by the customary demand the 10th of November next coming, which bond she gave to the church and it was

a. The Swedes to this day use the term mass for the Lord's Supper even those who are Methodists.

acknowledged by the Church Council and delivered to Churchwarden Jacob Van de Ver by Mr. Hesselius.

1714, January 17th. Paul Gustafsson was called before the Church Council and earnestly talked to on account of the unseasonable connection he has with his betrothed, and he was admonished that until the wedding takes place they must live apart, and in chastity, and in honesty wait the fulfilment of their marriage.

RECORD OF MARRIAGES IN CHRISTINA CONGREGATION. IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 1713.

1st. Martin Gustaffson and Britta Walraven married the 18th of October.

2nd. Olof Mansson and Annika Tossawa married the 10th of November.

RECORD OF BAPTISM OF CHILDREN IN CHRISTINA CONGREGATION IN THE YEAR 1713, WITH NAMES OF PARENTS AND SPONSORS.

1st Zacharias Didriksson and wife Hellena's child Zacharias, baptized 25th of January, Sponsors, Cornelius Corneliisson, from the other side the river, Johan Peter Mansson, Peter Jaquettes wife Mariah and the late Johan Van de Ver's daughter Judith.

2nd. Mons Gustaff and wife Catharina's, child, Christina baptized 8th March, Sponsors, Jonas Walraven, Jesper Walraven, Johan Gustass's wife Britta and Britta Walraven.

3rd. Gustass Kock and wife Anna's child Francina, baptized Aril 5th, Sponsors, Johan Gioding, Philip Van de Ver, Mrs. Annika Gioding, and Mrs. Anna Kock.

4. Christian Joran and wife Elizabeth's, child Sophia, born May 6th, baptized May 15th, Sponsors Peter Anderson, Edward Robinson, Seneca's widow and Peter Anderson's wife Magdalena.

5. Staffan Tossawa and wife Catharina's, child Anders born March 1st, baptized May 24, Sponsors James Anderson, Anders Stalcop, James Anderson's wife and Johan Gustaf's wife Brita.

6. George Reed and wife Sara's, child Mary, born March 6th, baptized May 24th, Sponsor Jonas Walraven, Johan Skagen, Elizabeth Skagen and Mrs. Elibabeth Colesberg.

8. Johan Hendrickson and wife Brita's, child Susanna, born May 5th, baptized by Mr. Lidenius June 7th, Sponsors Pastor Magister Hessellius, Constantin, Mrs. Sara Hesselius and Maria Conrad's daughter.

8. Robin Clood and wife Gertrude's child Lydia, baptized June 14, eight months old, Sponsors Peter Mansson, Lars Persson from over the river, Margaretta Culen from Wicacoe congregation, and Maria Stedham.

9. James Watkins child John, born April 7th, baptized June 21st, Sponsors Lucas Stedpam, Lucasson, Timothy Lylofson Stedham, Mary Snecker and Conrad Constantine's daughter Mary.

10. Rev. Eric Biork's child Maria, born July 18, baptized July 19, Sponsors the Pastor Magister Hessellius, the Rev. Abraham Lidenius, Johan Stalcop, Martin Gustafsson, William Van de Ver's wife, Mrs. Helena Canpony and Ingeborg Stedham.

11. Olof Fransson's (from the other side,) child Peter, born July 28th, baptized the same day by Mr. Lidenius, Sponsors Anders Hendricson, Anders Seneca, Mrs. Brita Dunken and Mrs. Ingrid Peterson.

12. Samuel Hall's child Elizabeth, born June 15th, baptized August 2nd, Sponsors Johan Hindricson, Joseph Hedge, Johan Hindricsson's wife Brita, Gustaf Rock's wife Anna.

13. Robert Rekman's (other side of river,) child Thomas, baptized August 13th, five months old, Sponsors the Rev. Mr. Lidenius, George Morris, Anna Gioding and Anna Peterson.

14. John Casparsson's (over the river), Anthony, baptized 6 months old, Sponsors John Mink Olof Frantsson, Mary Carter and Catharina Ericsson from Chestnut Hook.

15. John Farr's of Chester County, child Catharina, born February, 14th, baptized September 13, Sponsors Hans Petersson, Capt. Johan Von Calen, Rebecca Redly, Elizabeth Cadie.

16. Olof Von Naeman's (over the river), child Elizabeth baptized by Mr. Lidenius, September 14, Sponsorr, Jacob Van de Ver, Gabriel Peterson, Mrs. Catharina Van de Ver, Virgin Elizabeth Van Neeman.

17. Wm. Philpot's child Anna baptized by Mr. Lidenius,

19. Cornelius Wallraven's (over the river), child Elizabeth, September 20, Sponsors Johan Seneke, Jacob Savoy Ingrid Hindricksson, Margaretta Philpot.

18. Anders Cock's, child Annika, born September 15, baptized September 27, Sponsors Johan Hindricksson, Philip Van de Ver, Johan Hindresson's wife Brita and Hindri Hindersson's wife Judith. 19 Cornelius Walraven's child Elizabeth baptized by Mr. Lidenius, October 14, Sponsors, Matz Stark, Zackarias Bertetsson and his wife Sara, Carin Savoy.

20. Henrin Wainam's (over the river, child), Anna, baptized by Mr. Lidenius, October 4, Sponsors, Anders Hindriesson, Anders Seneke, Ingrid Hindriesson, Johan Hindersson's wife Beata.

21. Anders Johan (over the river), child, Margareta, baptized by Mr. Lidenius November 1, Sponsors, Thomas Guilliamson, Hans Sher, Beata Hinderson, Catharina Guilliamson.

22. Anders Seneke's, (over the river), child, Anders baptised by Mr. Lidenius November 17, Sponsors, Albert Bilterback, Johan Hindricsson, Jr., Ingrid Hindriesson, Catharina Vainam.

23. Albert Bilterhouse (over the river), child, Daniel, baptized by Mr. Lidenius November 17, Sponsors, Anders Senekesson, Seneke Senekesoon, Anna Sher and Beata Hindersson.

24. Johan Mink's (over river) child Johan, baptized by Mr. Lidenius, November 25, Sponsors Lucas Petersson, Johan Von Neeman, Anna Frantssen, Christina Franssen.

Record of Communicants in Christina Congregation in the Year 1713.

May 23. Peter Anderson, Maslander's wife Helekin, Maria Stalcop

May 31. Anders Mink Grelsson, Eric Ericsson and his wife Emma, Goran Eictken and his wife Kerstin, Old Mrs. Annika and her daughter Kerstin, Brita Clemens, Thomas John's wife Anna.

June 7. Jonas Walraven and his wife Annika with their daughter Brita.

June 21. Johan Gioding and his wife Annika.

July 5. Provost Erick Biörk and his wife, Mäns Gustafsson and his wife Catharine.

July 19. Anders Gustafsson and his wife Brita.

August 2. Elizabeth Von Neeman with her daughter Elizabeth.

August 3. Pastor Hessellius and his wife Sara, Mr. Lidenius, Brita Stalcop, Johan Von Culen, Kerstin Pälsson, Maria Pälsson.

October 18. Peter Mänssons wife Carin, Olof Mänsson, Annika Tassawa.

November 1, Conrad Constantin and his wife Kerstin.

November 8. Peter Canpony and his wife Helena.

November 22. Provost Eric Biörk and his wife, Pastor Magister Hessellius and his wife Sara, Maria Stalcop.

November 29. Judith Van de Ver in her sickness.

December 2. Johan Cock in St. Georges in his sickness.

December 25. Jacob Hinderson and his wife Maline, George Litien and his wife Kerstin, Jacob Van de Ver and his wife, Hans Peitterson and his wife Sara, Gabriel Peterson and his wife Kerstin, Hans Sher and his wife Anna, Henric Roisko, Christian Petersson, Olof Nilsson and his wife Margaretta, who all liveon the other side of the river, and were communicated by Mr. Lidenius.

December 26. Johan Gustafsson and his wife Brita, Mäns Gustafsson and his wire Catharina, Johan Van de Ver, Judith Van de Ver.

RECORDS OF DEATHS IN CHRISTINA CONGREGATION IN 1713.

1. Peter Canpony's child Anders, buried the 5th of April.
2. Matz Tosawa's child Maria, buried the 28th of July.
3. Peter Classon's wife Dorothea, buried the 22d of September.
4. Paul Paulson (in Crane hook Church yard) 25th of October.
5. Gertrude Mink buried by Mr. Lidenius over the river, buried the 6th of November.
7. Johan Cock of St. Georges, buried in his own garden on the 15th December.

1714, June 24. A general meeting of the church was held at the Priest house on the Old Land, when the following subjects were discussed and acted upon:

1st. Eskill Johanson presented a bill on his and Henry

Orkan's account which had been received from Provost Biork, for 118 days, work done on the parsonage and barn, for which they had received only 1£, 13 shil, 6 pence for Eskill, and 6 shillings for Henry. Eskill requested the congregation to pay them at once, as he had been for a long time waiting remuneration for his services.

It was resolved that as soon as Eskill and his comrade Henry shall present a clear bill of each piece of work they have done, they shall be paid according to the judgment of good men appointed to decide upon it, but they will not agree to pay them according to their account of day's work, for there is doubt if they have made up full day's work.

2nd. William Van de Ver, rendered his account for the past year up to the present time, which was compared with the account of the Priests, as it stands below.

3rd. Wm. Van de Ver resigned the office of warden and Johan Gustafsson was elected in his place to serve along with Jacob Van de Ver for this year.

4th. Peter Petersson Canpony was elected to the Church Council in place of Johan Gioding, who both for his removal to Maryland, which he gave notice of, and for other reasons which the Church Council on consultation deemed sufficient, was put out of his office, which action was approved by the pastor after some discussion.

5th. Samuel Stedham resigned as sexton, and Timotheus Lylofsson Stedham was chosen in his place, and he was admonished and charged to perform the duties of his office better than his predecessor had done.

6th. The congregation was enquired of with regard to the Swedish boy Solomon Ahlmon what they knew about his in fancy and whether he had ever been baptized and

Eric Ericsson, of Cranehook, and Regner Von Culen said that having been acquainted with his parents and guardians, they were certain that he had never been baptized and the boy also said the same of himself. Thereupon each one who might have the opportunity was requested to persuade his present employer to bring him for instruction in christian doctrine so that as soon as practicable he may be admitted to the church by baptism.

7th. The congregation were reminded of their free will offering of money to pay the expense of the journey home of the the Provost Mr. Biork to Sweden, and that they should immediately make the collection, for the time of his departure is near at hand.

8th. The pastor proposed to the congregation the purchase of two tables from the Provost Biork, to remain in the parsonage as an inventarium so that the present ministers as well as their successors may not have to go into the house without any table which they would deem very hard.

Pastor Hessellins said in addition that he had for some time though of buying the tables for himself if he had received his salary for the year, but as this has not been paid except by a few, he left it to the congregation to decide.

Thereupon Mr. Lucas Stedham and Mr. Edward Robinsson consulted about the matter and decided to assist the congregation in this way viz: they would pay the Provost for the tables and be repaid by contributions made for the purpose, paid in to the Churchwardens each one according to his share which was approved, and was fulfilled when the (a) Herr Provost left the place.

a.—No English word quite takes the place of Herr, but it means about what Mr. or Sir did two hundred years ago but they have lost their meaning and will not translate it.

	£.	s.	p.
Income of the church from offerings in the church, and sundry gifts from June 28th, 1713, to January 25th, 1714.	8	12	11½
Expenses during the same time, ...	2	3	5½
Leaving Cash,	6	9	6

1714, June 29th. The greatest part of the congregation on this side the river were present at the house of Herr Provost, Magister Biork, and took an affectionate leave of him, as their faithful old pastor, and heartily wished him and his family a prosperous journey, upon which they set out the same day when the well born Herr Provost, just before he started ordered that all his books left here both those at the parsonage house and at John Stalcop's except those he had sold or freely given away should belong to the church and he commissioned Mr. Springer and Mr. Edward Robinsson to put up somebook shelves for them. And he also left his own and his beloved wife's portraits.

He also directed that the three old chairs left in the Priest house should remain as an inventarium.

The same day Mr. Lucas Stedham paid this Church's portion of the freight on the Bibles and Psalm books, which came over last, amounting to 37s. and 6d. new currency, which was received by his Honor worthiness Magister Sandall in the name of the congregation at Wicacoe, as they had already paid the whole sum for the freight.

As soon as the congregation proportionately pays up Mr. Stedham is to be paid.

When all this was finished the Herr Provost with his dear wife and children journed from this place toBohemia accompanied by all the Swedish Priests and the Elders of the congregation and several of the Wicacoe Church,

and the next day they took final leave of him at Bohemia.

1714, August 28th. A general parish meeting of the whole Christina congregation, from both sides of the river and from St. Georges was held, when the following important business was brought forward and transacted.

1st. The pastors informed the congregation of the reason why they and the Church Council had called this meeting of the Church, viz: that as to all Christly unity and working together, there can be found no more efficient means than a determination to adhere to the regular ordering of the Church, and to serve the Chuach with earnest zeal, and each do his part faithfully, and that from their first entering upon their service here they had earnestly and diligently labored, but a self-willed freedom and neglect of a common interest and effort for the increase and forwarding of the interests of a common christianity, have rendered an improvement almost impossible, yet through God's grace with all Christly prudence and circumspection there may be an improvement, and thereto next to God's powerful word have no better means been found to hold the Church in good order and in the performance of their duties, than the published Church Laws of His Swedish Majesty. But unfortunately we have seen but little or no improvement in many. Now therefore to bring about this most to be desired, and this far least accomplished end, the whole congregation is warned and exhorted.

1st. To keep faithfully the Sabbath day and to faithfully attend the services in the church, to by no means be promenading around the churchyard during Divine service, and when the confession is said to be all in the

a Bohemia Landing in Maryland was at that time the most important shipping point south of New York.

church and on bowed knee suplicate God to pardon their sins.

2nd. That parents should be careful to have their children brought early to baptism, and not as often happens, let their babes remain at home a whole or many months, yes, even a half year, notwithstanding they live so near the church or Priest's house, that they have no excuse, and also in good time to give in the names of sponsors to the Priest that he may judge of their fitness.

3rd. To be faithful and constant in partaking of the Lord's Supper, and not excuse themselves therefrom by insufficient reasons as is the custom of some, and even the great part of those who hold themselves to be prominent members of the church.

4th. That betrothals and marriages proceed in an orderly manner according to the ordinances of our church.

5th. The Church Council were reminded of their duty to keep a watch and oversight, each one in his neighborhood, and note how the members live, whether Christly or not, in peace and unity, or otherwise, etc. And when they find any living otherwise, that they earnestly exhort and warn the erring, and when they find that insufficient, they must without any indulgence bring them before the Church Council and ministry, that they may be properly examined and be corrected according to the nature of the offence.

6th. Christian Joransson and John Stalcop were elected a church watch to keep good order and propriety both within and without the church during God's service, they being instructed to use their utmost diligence that none should walk around in the churchyard during

Divine service, nor sit and gossip in the houses which are near by the church, but humbly kneeling, say their prayers.

And when the creed is sung and the text is read all must reverently stand, and no one go out of the church before the close of the service by the benediction, etc., etc.

Whenever any one shall be cited before the Church Council, it shall be the duty of either of the designated church watchmen to arrest him and bring him forward and do whatever else time and circumstances may render necessary and proper.

7th. The congregation were reminded to be attentive, to have the music of the church performed in a proper, decent and devout manner, and that all who have received God's gift to be capable of singing with a pleasing voice, and with psalms to praise their God, ought by no means to neglect the gift and stand silent when one should lift his voice to God's glory.

Also those who have not received the gift or have not yet learned to sing should by no means by their harsh and untrained voices make discord and be a hindrance to others, but either hear in silence or by low after-singing, accustom themselves to the melodies and learn them better.

8th. The old distribution of the pews was examined and those who have not yet obtained any certain place in the Church were promised that for a proper sum they should be put in possession of pews left by former owners, or for any cause shall hereafter be declared vacant, and the new owners may consider such pews as the property of themselves and their heirs, like any other possession, on the strength of such grant to them for their use.

9th. The congregation were also reminded of Mr. Hessellius' back-standing salary for 1713, and that it ought at once to be paid in, and that they should no longer delay the fulfillment of their promises made for the support of their pastor, and that the obstinate will have to answer before God if they allow their promises to be roughly effaced.

It was resolved that the Churchwardens according to the received list of arrearages should make the effort to collect in what remains back on the salary of the pastor.

9th. As to the fencing of the Church-yard at the cost of Herr Provost Biork, the congregation to do the work, which was promised.

10th. It was proposed to repair the Priest's house by covering it with clapboards, because in rainy weather particularly on the north and north-east sides it is almost impossible to find a place for a bed or table, or books to be kept dry in the parsonage library.

The congregation promised thorough repairs and also a window in the south gable of the large cellar room.

11th. It was impressed upon the congregation that they who have enjoyed the gift of His Royal Majesty of Sweden of invaluable Bibles and Psalm books and have not to this day either paid the freight for the over-sending of the books, nor shown any mark of thanksgiving to God by remembering our church according to their promise, have acted very unjustly and unreasonably.

The parties concerned, after much discussion and expression of opinion, agreed that those who have received bibles should pay the whole freight on the books and the others none the less should remember God's house with a free will offering of thanksgiving for God's great grace bestowed upon them.

In the same talk, opportunity was taken to inform the assembly with regard to the distribution of the bibles, and that as they were so few and so costly they could not be dealt around to many families, Magister Hessellius with the advice and concurrence of Herr Provost Biork decided to give them out in those families that could best use them with the understanding that they should lend them to their neighbors whenever it seemed necessary, and best, bnt they must in that case without fail be returned to the house from which they were first lent out.

12th. It was also said to the assembly that when on special occasions the services of the Priests were required, such as publishing bans, betrothals, marriages, burying the dead, and such like extraordinary service, they should not be so ungrateful as to burden them, without any return for their labour.

Then it was resolved that the present Priests should have the same perquisites as their antecessor, viz: 12 shillings for each bridal pair, and for a burial according to the circumstances and ability of the friends.

13th. The folk from St. Georges were earnestly questioned why they had absented themselves from this their church for a year or more. They answered that the long distance was the cause, to which it was replied that the way was no longer now than formerly. Then they laid the blame on the women folk and children, etc., all of which did not amount to a sufficient excuse, and they were therefore given to understand that they would lose all their church privileges, unless they changed for the better, while the pastor would not consider it his duty to go down and preach for them as he had for the last two years on various occasions done, and yet had not received from them the least compensation or thankfulness.

Hereupon the St. Georges' folk began to give better words, and promised to be more diligent to come to church, and that they would provide the school house in St. Georges for a preaching place when Magister Hessellius should come to them, therewith the matter was let rest for the present till further evidence of improvement, and in the meantime Magister Hessellius promised to perform all necessary service agreeable to his calling in the same manner as for his other parishioners.

1714 September 26.—There was a meeting of the Church Council.

1st. It was ordered that Churchwarden Jacob Van de Ver should procure the window for the parish house which was promised last parish meeting when he goes to Philadelphia, and pay for it out of the church funds.

2nd. It was resolved that if after exhortation and warning the St. Georges' folk will not cleave to the church, their pews shall be forfeited.

A. D.—1715, January 1st. There was a meeting of the Church Council, when after a sincere wish of a blessed New Year, the pastor explained the High Bishop Swedberg's views about getting together a good and orderly Church inventarium as expressed in his letter of June 15th, 1713, to the establishment of which the pastor promised to give all possible help, but the Church Council and particularly Mr. Springer and Edward Robinson should deliver in the books given to the Church by Provost Biork, which was promised by those present. As regarded the Priest's house there was no inventarium except two tables, three old chairs, one bedstead and one horse. Then the pastor enquired for greater security of holding his own without fault-finding,

if anyone knew of anything else that belonged to the parsonage to which they answered that they knew of nothing.

Then Edward Robinsson was asked with what intent he gave Magister Hessellius the young red horse more than a year ago.

He answered for the use of the church. It was further inquired that if in case the horse should die while under the custody of Magister Hessellius he would be be liable to provide another horse for the church, and the answer was no! And so also with regard to the old chairs, if they by use should become worthless whether he should be holden to supply their place, which was resolved in the negative. Of the inventarium of cows, see p 43, and of that of sheep, see p 148.

A. D.—1715, February 12. A general Parish meeting was held at the usual room and place, those from both sides of the river being in attendance.

1st. The explanation and reasons why this meeting had been called was given, viz.: That notwithstanding all possible diligence and earnestness had been used both in former meetings and on all private occasions to bring the members of the Church into unity and good relationship with each other, yet it is found, unfortunately, that through the ever new and insidious wiles of the enemy, this little flock of Christ is daily attempted to be scattered and divided, and especially since it is known how that Edward Robinsson, secretly and without the least communication with the Priests or the congregation, has induced the late Aaron Johansson's widow Barbara, to give away to him and his heirs all of her property both real and movable, notwithstanding it should in accordance with her late husband's will belong to Christina Church after her decease as an undis-

puted estate and possession the property having in the meantime been left as to trust and disposition to Matthias Petersson and Edward Robinsson as guardians to render an exact account therefor and care for her.

But now not only has Matthias Petersson been thrust out by Edward Robinsson from an equal guardianship and possession, but Robinsson has taken all into his own hands and full possession, by which not only the church is much injured, but discord is kindled among the members and evil words and judgments are discovered on all sides and like noxious weeds spread around.

Therefore to obtain help in such important business and also that Edward Robinsson might have opportunity to explain and to give in a proper account, this general meeting has been called.

2nd. On calling the roll Edward Robinsson was not present and he had before told Mr. Springer that he would give no explanation or account though he was earnestly admonished and warned that if he remained away he would be put out of his office.

Nevertheless, notwithstanding, he by his disobedience had made himself liable to the condemnation of the church, they examined into his case, impartially and according to his own acknowledgment made before to Mr. Hesselius in the presence of Mr. Springer, judged the matter and finally came to such conclusion thereon as the pastors and the congregation find to be reasonable and just, all being at liberty to discuss the business and speak for or against. And indeed if the smallest reason for Robinsson's procedure can be brought forward in his behalf it shall with all kindness be admitted.

3rd. Hereupon Mr. Springer presented a copy of the late Aaron Johansson's will, which was not witnessed, he refusing to produce the original, which he had in his possession, what reason no one knew. This copy of the will which he brought before the meeting, he declared to be of the same tenor and meaning as the original and so we took his word for good, (though all knew that he favored Edward's side,) and it was read before the meeting as it is here found inserted.

(*a*)Know all men that I, Aaron Johnson, being in perfect sense and memory, doe give my soule to God that gave it me and next I doe order that my body be decently interred. And I doe order that my wife doe administer and pay all my just and lawful debts. And I doe give and bequeathe all my whole estate to her, both real and personal. And this I doe make my last will and testament, revoking all former wills and testaments whatever. As witness my hand and seal this third day of January, 1694.

His
AARON X JOHNSON.
Mark.

His
Signed and sealed in the presence of JOHN B GARDNER.
Mark.

Her
MARY M HUMMERS, WILLIAM GUEST.
Mark.

My name and mark underneath these following lines is, and shall be, of that force and virtue that I will have this the above written my last will and testament, to stand in full force and to be truly kept, and will have nothing to be therein altered. But by some further consideration afterwards, how the merciful God and Father which hath pleased to bless me and bestowed upon me so manifold mercies without any of my deserts, and should again be thankfully honored, not only in my and my wife Barbara James' lifetime, but also after our deceases, do I only add this

(*a*)Written in English as were all legal documents.

hereunto, that I find it in no manner of ways better to be done, but that after my and my wife's departing from this world shall all the estate my wife leaveth, real and personal, movable and immovable, belong to the Swedes Church that is built upon Christina, named Church of the Holy Trinity. Then the Rev. Ministers and Churchwardens, successively one after another, to dispose of to honor of God and for the good of the said Church, though I really designed some part of the estate that is real and personal to the Rev. Minister Magister Ericus Biörk, for his good services done unto me and my wife now, and especially may be at our funerals, which I leave to the discretion of the Church Wardens, hoping that my loving wife shall in her lifetime, after my decease so use what I leave for her own good, in and for the best manner as we both now have done through God's mercy. And for the rest, not doubting thereof in the least that those who are herein concerned in the behalf of the Church which are to have full management of it after mine and my wife's decease, but that they will assist my loving wife with all good counsels whatsoever, and be an assistance to her when she needs help.

This will I have kept as my last will and testament, I having done it of a well bethought mind when I had my full sense and understanding, and in the presence of underwritten witnesses, do in the same manner of way as the other upon the other side written, confirm all this on the 20th of November, 1701.

Signed, sealed and acknowledged in the presence of us as witnesses.

His
LUCAS L STEDHAM;
Mark.
CHARLES SPRINGER.

His
AARON X JOHANSON.
Mark.

After the will had been read, the congregation were asked what they had to say about it. If they found anything to object to which was either for or against themselves. If there was any word which could make Edward Robinsson's case good.

Then Lucas Stedham arose and said he had heard the late Aaron's widow complain with regard to her

circumstances and of being neglected as to proper care and attention in her old age and sickness, while left helpless by those whose duty it was to take care of her and that she should be under the necessity if no one will look after her and nurse her to apply to the magistrates at New Castle for help on which account Edward Robinsson should be excused for taking the whole charge upon himself.

Then it was asked if any more had heard her complaints.

All answered that they had not and that if she had had any cause for her lamentations she should first have applied to the pastor and Church Council, that she in Mr. Biork's presence, when he took his departure from here, (to which Mr. Conrad Constantine can witness,) promsed to submit all her affairs to them.

Therefore after some discussion of the subject and conferring with each other. it was found that neither Mr. Hesselius nor the congregation had heard any such complaint of the widow, and that she could live well on the income from her place and they all looked upon the whole transaction as a sham business with the widow, and that Edward had therein managed for his own interest.

And moreover when he had been enjoined by the pastor to keep a correct and just account of the estate, he had answered that if he was asked to give in an account, it was that the widow's land and estate were already gone.

4th. It was resolved that although the church might justly impose a severe church censure on Edward Robinson for his proceedings, nevertheless in order to give him another opportunity for better thought and change

of purpose with his own and the widow's declaration and further explanation, Mr. Jonas Walraven, Matz Petersson, Jacob Van de Ver, John Gustafson, and John Stalcop with the pastor were directed to visit the parties in their own houses and gather from them their views and intentions.

5th. Edward Robinsson was dismissed from the Church Council for his disobedience in absenting himself from the parish meeting without lawful hindrance and by a unanimous vote Mr. Jacob Van de Ver was elected in his place, and Conrad Constantine was also chosen in place of the late deceased Peter Petersson.

A. D. 1715, February 14th. The deputies of the church with the pastor went to Edward Robinson's house and according to the last holden meeting's resolution, conversed both with the widow and Edward with regard to their transactions and intentions, and first the widow declared that of her own free will she had given away to Edward Robinsson all her property, as to one who best deserved it in payment and reward for his care for her both heretofore and hereafter. Edward Robinson said that nothing wrong and improper had been done, and that none of the church, and indeed, not even Matz Petersson, who had as well as Edward Robinsson been guardian for the widow, had any more disposition of his mother's (as he was pleased to call her,) estate and possessions, yes indeed, no more than of his own inherited and possessed house and land.

The deputies of the church asked him if he could with a good conscience appropriate to himself or allow the widow to convey to him what after her decease in accordance with the late Aaron's will should belong to the church. Robinsson answered that he had not felt any prick of conscience for it, and moreover, as he

understood it, neither the late Aaron Johnsson nor any other one could according to English law will any land to a church.

To which the pastor replied, if English law does not hold such a will to be valid, why did the court at New Castle receive the will of the late Aaron as a valid will, and have it recorded in due form. Edward made no answer to this, but said that he had in all respects done what was just and right. Edward was then asked if he intended to do the church such great injury as to appropriate to his own use what after the widow's death should come to the church.

He answered that he did not intend to do anything wrong in connection with the widow, but as to the congregation he will see after the death of the widow what he can do for them. After long discourse and much questioning, he said that he would not wrong the church, but whatever agreement he had entered into with the widow, he would adhere to, but he would so conduct the affair that the church should in time be satisfied and content.

It was concluded that though Edward seemed with all his talk to be very much against the church, nevertheless, it was thought best by the deputies to take (for this time) his last words for good, at least encouraging the hope that he would come to a better mind, and so leaving him and the whole matter to God, trusting that in time he will cause to be revealed what now lies concealed in the heart, and with this understanding they bade each other good-bye and separated.

A. D., 1715, July 9th. A Parish meeting was held at the Priest house on the Old Land when,

1st. The church accounts were examined and it was

ascertained what had been the income in the shrine from the 27th of June to this date, according to the following statement:

	£	s.	d.
The amount being for this year,	5	0	4
Over from last year,	6	9	6
	11	9	10

When the church accounts had been examined the churchwardens with Matz Petersson and Conard Constantine went to the church to count the money in the chest and found in farthings, 38 shillings 8 pence in silver, 20 shillings and the same amount in gold, which Churchwarden Jacob Van de Ver took into his possession, and when they returned to the parsonage and compared it with the accounts, it was found that the church money was 7 shillings less than it ought to be, and they could not surmise what had become of it unless some conscienceless man had taken it away, as the chest had been for the whole year without a lock, and the church on various occasions had stood open.

They therefore now resolved that Churchwarden Johan Gustafsson should take the money in hand, in gold and silver into his possession, leaving the small change only in the chest for the convenience of those who wished to make change in farthings when putting their offerings into the purse on Sundays.

And to prevent any further loss in future of money from the church chest, the churchwardens were ordered to procure a lock for the chest, they to remain hereafter responsible for all loss which may happen on account of the chest standing open in case they do not procure a lock.

As for the wine which the church is to pay for Wm.

Van de Ver has already been over paid according to the account, the church being one shilling the better with him, and John Richardson shall be paid out of the silver which Johan Gustafsson received of Jacob Van de Ver as above mentioned.

3rd. Jacob Van de Ver resigned the office of Churchwarden, he having in the previous church meeting been advanced to the Church Council and there was elected in his place his brother Philip Van de Ver to serve with Johan Gustafsson as Churchwardens.

4th. The Churchwardens were directed to collect for the church money which had been long due, viz: upon Peter Wagers bond, which was entered in the church account between the 13th and the 20th of September, 1713, and also to attend to testaments and other promises given to the church.

5th. The congregation was informed that the late Miss Magdalene Stubby had willed to Magister Hesselius a cow, which now through his free benevolence is given for an inventarium to the parsonage, that the minister who shall succeed him may have a creature to begin his stock with, and if nothing unlucky happens there will always be a cow belonging to the glebe as an inventarium, and as pastor Hesselius had charged 20s. for his services at the funeral of the late Magdalene Stubby, the congregation should deduct so much from the price of the cow, and therewith what the Pastor is indebted to the Church, on account of Martin Gustafsson's pew, he having the past Autumn, had of Martin an ox for three pounds and thus leaves 40 shillings due, which 40 shillings so soon as the pastor receives his salary shall likewise be paid.

6rh. The sexton, Timotheus Stedham, was requested to serve the church the coming year, as they could not

well do without his services, and he answered that he would gladly serve the congregation provided they will remember him with a small compensation and not as has happened hitherto, entirely forget him.

Whereupon it was resolved that the bellman should continue his service, and the Churchwardens should agree with the congregation with regard to a subscription for him and collect what each one will give for they are responsible for all matters pertaining to the Church and Ministry.

7th. The Church Council were admonished that each one in his neighborhood should take care to bring forward to baptism any that may here and there be found among them, and to labor with those, who though arrived at mature age have yet never been baptized. There being a great responsibility resting upon Christians before God if they neglect to labor for the salvation of them whom they receive into their houses, having such good opportunity to do them good as to body and soul, and at least can recommend and bring them to the pastor.

The Church Councilmen over Brandywine were enjoined to have particular oversight of the disreputable Paul Gustafsson, that his conduct may be improved so that it may not be necessary for the Magistrate at New Castle to bind him to good behaviour.

The pastor will himself take the trouble to go over to him if some good man will go with him to witness whether anything can be done with him or not.

8th. The Pastor urged the necessity of having a well at the parsonage house, both on account of the long and tiresome distance from the spring, and because the water is foul and full of worms, they having been long ago in Mr. Biork's time, asked to dig a well near the house but nothing has been done about it to this day.

Therefore, the congregation is now reminded of it and exhorted to unite in setting forward the digging immediately, more especially as they can see the great want of it in this dry summer when very little water can be found fit to drink in the neighborhood.

On this representation the congregation could not do otherwise than consent to bring it about more surely they decided to appropriate some of the church money if they should not succeed in raising sufficient means by a collection from the congregation.

Church-warden Johan Gustafsson petitioned for a seat for himself in the church and it was resolved that as most of the pews are occupied there is no better place for him than the one occupied by the sexton, and that he have a seat there so long as he is warden, and that said pew be appropriated for the use of Church wardens in the future.

A. D. 1715, July 31.—A pint of wine was got from Wm. Van de Ver for one shilling for which he had been overpaid in his last year's settlement. The same day there was a meeting of the Church Council and they conferred further about the well-digging and made an agreement with young Peter La Quette that he should go forward with the digging at the place where he had begun at the direction of the pastor and Mr. Matz Pietersson, viz.: On the west side of the vegetable garden as near the house as possible, and Peter La Quette should be paid for the work ten pence per foot, new currency, and the money should be taken from the church funds, as the congregation were not found willing to contribute money for the purpose at that time. As for the walling, Peter would not take it upon himself to do.

Mr. Springer, Lucas Stedham and Peter Manson, pre-

sented various reasons why the work on the well should not be proceeded with at this time. Such as, that it will be very hard for the people to labor on it now on account of hay harvesting, plowing, etc., but most of the council and the pastor were of the opinion that none will refuse to help on so necessary a work in this time of drouth as no better time can be found in the whole year, and any other time will prevent as many private matters of business as this present. The pastor added that they certainly showed very little respect for the common good, who would not even give their teacher a cup of cold water, notwithstanding our Saviour Jesus promised it should not go unrewarded when it is given for His sake.

And so it was resolved, by so many of the Council as were rightminded, notwithstanding the objections of the others, that the well should not only be digged, but nicely and strongly walled up, and the sooner the better. Mr. Matthias Peitersson promised to engage a good mason and agree with him on the congregation's account to do the work and fix the price for the same. Magister Hessellius promised for his part that he would board the laborers gratis and also those who carted the stone, Mrs. Helena, the late Peter Pietersson's widow, having already given the congregation leave to gather as much stone as might be needed for the work off her land. Mr. Hessellius told them that he would fence in the east and south sides of the Priest yard with nice palings at his own expense, which he had begun to do already, as also around the vegetable garden, out of respect for the honor of the congregation, and now he asked no more than that they should help him buy three pounds of nails to make up what were needed over what he had already bought, to which they agreed promising to pay

him from the church money. It was also resolved that a strong rope be bought for the well with the same money.

The Churchwardens were directed to engage good help to wind up the earth out of the well, which they complied with, and hired for that purpose Martin Martensson and Asmund Stedham.

A. D. 1715, August 5th.—Peter La Quett finished digging the well this day. When he reached a depth of 20 feet, a copious flow of water came into the well from all sides, but it was dug below the veins a sufficient depth to insure water, making the whole depth 25½ feet.

A. D. 1715, August 8th.—After the close of Divine service the congregation was called together in the churchyard, when the pastor related to them how favorably the well digging at the parsonage had gone on, that they not only had found good and fresh water, but at not a very great depth contrary to our expectations, thus materially lessening the expense to the congregation. He also informed them of the resolve of the council to have the well walled up at once, and requested them now in this incoming week to bring forward stone, and thus save the church money and themselves further trouble. But now unwillingness and jealously were exhibited, for some that have always boasted of their helping the public, will now hear nothing about the well and much less assist in contributing for it, but went away immediately.

And so what was preached in the church a half hour before was verified, "one cannot gather grapes of thorns nor figs from thistles." Nevertheless the rightminded counseled with each other with regard to carrying on the work and decided that the next Saturday so many as

had opportunity should haul stone, and others who had no team should break stone out of the hills, and their names shall all be set hereunder to their honorable remembrance.

August 9th, Mr. Jonas Walraven came with his hired man and boy, with horses, oxen and cart, to haul stone for the well and break the way for the others, and after having worked the whole day at carting the stone, he promised to give a bushel of lime for the mason work around the top of the well.

August 13. The following members of the congregation came to haul stone for the well, which they did till mid-day. Mr. Conrad Constantine with his son and hired boy, horses and oxen; Peter Paulson's son, from Whitler's Creek, with horses and sled; Måns Gustafsson, with his horses; Jesper Walraven and Jacob Pålsson, with horses, oxen and cart; John Gustafs' boy with horses and a sled; Timothy Lyloffson Stedham with the pastor, Magister Hesselius' horses and a sled; Philip Van de Ver and Jonas Stalcop with their horses and sled. The stone breakers were young Peter La Quett, Samuel Stedham, Israel Stalcop and Hindrick Garretsson.

August 14th.—A meeting of the church council was held, when Magister Hessellius complained of the ill-famed member, John Hindricsson, who notwithstanding, he for a long time had been reproved and exhorted to mend, shows no penitence and reformation, but on the contrary absents himself entirely from the public service of the church and despises all wholesome counsel, whether of the pastor or church council.

It was resolved that Pastor Hessellius with Church Councilman Matz Petersson, should at the first oppor-

NOTE: In the names Pål, Måns the å is broad and has nearly the sound of au in English.

tunity visit John Hindricsson, and once more urge him to repentance and reformation from his impiety.

August 15th. The Englishman Thomas Kraffert came to the parsonage, and after making a bargain with Matz Peterson on behalf of the church began work at walling up the well, having Anders Gustafson for assistant in winding up the water and letting down the stone in place of Samuel Stedham, who was hired for that purpose, and the same day young Peter La Quett brought a canoe full of moss from Sheephook on Samuel Stedham's account, who had promised it.

August 16th. John Stalcop worked on the well one day.

August 17th. Mr. Matz Petersson presented two book-cases for the books belonging to the church, as an inventarium, and Samuel Stedham worked on the well in place of his brother Hindric.

August 18th. The Pastor and Matz Peterson brought more stone for the well.

August 19th. Asmund Stedham worked on the well for Mrs. Helena the widow of Peter Petersson.

August 20th. Asmund Stedham worked on the well on his own account.

August 22nd. Asmund Stedham worked on the well for Gustaf Gustafsson, and Jacob Van de Ver hauled stone with Pastor Hessellius' horses, and a horse of the widow of Peter Petersson.

August 23rd. Bishop Swedberg's letters from Sweden to the church arrived, one dated November 24, 1714, and the other, September 1, 1715.

August 24th. Asmund Stedham worked on the well on William Mallander's account.

August 26th. More stone was brought for the well

with the horses of the pastor and of the widow of Peter Peterson.

August 29th. Mr. Jonas Walraven worked on the well, and young Lucas Stedham carted stone with his, the pastor's and Peter Canpony's horses having Peter Petersson's Hans from Brandywine to help him.

August 31st. The well was walled up even with the ground, and at midday it was cleared out, Jonas Walraven and Anders Gustafsson helping at the work.

September 11th. After the close of Divine service the Highworthy Bishop Dr. Swedberg's letters were read in presence of the whole congregation, which letters are attached to this book.

COPY OF THE LETTERS.

To the Christly congregation in Christina is wished abundant grace, and the blessing of God the Fathe. and our Lord Jesus Christ.

I have recently received by the Provost Herr Eric Biork, the Christly congregation's very welcome letter, dated April 9th, 1714, from which I learned with great pleasure of their good condition which I heartily wish may be of long continuance, and I thank them sincerely for the tokens of gratitude shown for the little care I have exercised to promote their spiritual welfare, and I do assure them that in the future I will look after their interests to the utmost of my ability and influence. I hope the church will be on good terms with their teacher, Mr. Andreas Hessellius who is a learned man and blessed by God with excellent gifts and capacity for preaching His word, and that the congregation will so treat him that he will have no cause to write home again of his discontent.

I hope that in time he will be as well pleased as his predecessors, Messrs. Biork and Rudman, who never complained.

With regard to the request of the congregation at Ratcong Creek to have its separate church and the Rev. Abraham Lidenius for their priest, I have given it particular consideration, and also have consulted with the Provost Herr Eric Biork, and found their desires to be Christly and reasonable, and therefore now give them my written consent thereto, and have given His Majesty information concerning it.

For though they have heretofore belonged to Holy Trinity Church as a part of Christina congregation, their way to come to church is very difficult, having to cross the river, and especially so in Winter, Autumn and Spring, and consequently they are deprived of their religious privileges. On this account it is Christly and reasonable that they establish a parish and have their own pastor whom they have invited, and who can be spared to them.

Pastor Hessellius will then have more time to visit the congregation at Christina, for heretofore he has been at great pains and hardship in order to visit the distant members living on the other side of the river, or suffer pain of conscience for neglecting those whose souls required continued oversight and spiritual instruction.

That Herr Lidenius has been chosen to be priest there and all other things concerning that congregation, I have communicated to his Royal Majesty, who will be content with what I have done with the advice of the Provost Biork.

And the Christly congregation may be assured that I

shall continue my prayers to God, and my good offices with the King for the prosperity and progress of the Christly congregation.

I have with great delight heard that the congregation which calls itself Christina are living Christly lives, and Provost Biork has given good testimony concerning them. Be in Christian unity both teacher and members, live in peace and harmony with each other, and so shall Christ dwell among you, and keep and bless your bodies and souls, and it will give me the greatest pleasure to hear further of your good conduct, so that next to firm trust in God for protection and all needed blessings, it shall be my greatest joy and satisfaction to remain to my dying hour.

Brunsbo
November 24th, 1714.

The Christly Congregation in Christina's
Most willing Servant
JERSPERUS SWEDBERG.

P. S.—I am very thankful for the valuable skins you intended for his Majesty: they are here in my care subject to his disposition to whom (*a*) *I now write concerning them.*

And watch daily to walk circumspectly among the Gentiles that whereas they are accustomed to speak evil of you, they may see your good works and praise God in the day of visitation. 1 Pet. ii, 12.

Let no false teacher deceive you. They will feign reasons for speaking ill of our christian doctrines. Remember thy dear brothers.

J. SWEDBURG.

a. This first letter is in the Bishop's own hand writing and seems to have been retained for some reason and copied by some one, and both the original and copy sent together in April, with the addition of the fol owing which is added to the copy in Dr. Swedberg's own hand.

A. D., 1715, October 27th. Col. Sir John France related to the pastor that he with some other gentlemen from New Castle on the 10th of the past October, saw a tree in the King's road to Maryland, about twelve miles from here, upon which it had rained for fourteen days, although the heavens were clear and there was no sign of rain elsewhere. The tree is a young black oak, 19 inches in circumference, and so much rain has fallen night and day that anyone standing under it has been wet, as was also the Colonel though there was no appearance of dampness on the ground under the tree. In order to be certain whether the rain fell from the branches and leaves or out of a cloud, they sent a young boy into the top who found that the rain came down very copiously from heaven. The well born Colonel stated that this rain was first observed on the 3rd of October and continued until the 17th, when a thoughtless hired man in his ignorance cut down the tree and the rain then ceased.

RECORD OF MARRIAGES IN CHRISTINA CONGREGATION 1714.

1. Johan Culen, Miss Christina Pålsson, married, January 6.
2. Johan Van de Ver, Miss Maria Stalcop, married January 14
3. Paul Gustafsson, Miss Carin Bethiem, married February 4.
4. Henric Garrison, Miss Kerstin Constantin, married April 3.
5. Thomas Johnsson, widow Margareta Samueldotter, married September 7.
6. Johannes Månsson, Miss Ingeburg Stedham, married September 21.
7. Edward Robinson, Miss Margaretta Classon, married September 23.

RECORD OF MARRIAGES IN CHRISTINA CONGREGATION 1715.

1. Olof Palsson, widow Elizabeth Colesburg married February.
2. Revererd Abraham Lidenius, Miss Elizabeth Von Neeman married May 25.
3. Timotheus Lylofsson Stedham, Miss Elizabeth Van de Ver married June 7.

4. John Wright, Sarah Wright, from Maryland wedded with license of of the Governor, married June 24.

5. Lucas Lucasson Stedham, Miss Ingeburg La Quett, married October 26.

6. Enok Canly, widow Catharina Grantiem wedded in their house, married November 7.

7. Robin Peers, Miss Mary Simons, married November 25.

8. William Abraham, Miss Maria Constantin, wedded in the Parsonage, married December 1.

RECORD OF BAPTISMS WITH NAMES OF PARENTS AND SPONSORS IN THE YEAR 1714.

1. Richard Enos and wife, Susanna's child Joseph, a few months old, baptized January 17th, Sponsors Johan Von Culen and his wife Christina, Olof Pâlson and Mariah Pälson.

2. Israel Petersson and wife, Marguretta's child Hans, born February 20th, baptized February 28th, Sponsors Pastor Hessellins Captain Hans Peterson, Mrs. Hellena Petersson, Stafan Tassawas wife Karin, and Miss Ingeborg Stedham.

3. Johan Tassawa and wife Annika's child Elias, born Jan. 21, baptized March 7th, Sponsors Wm. Van de Ver, Timotheus Bengtsson Stedham, Peter Petersson's wife Hellena and Miss Kiastin Conrad's dotter.

4. Aute Vainans and wife Marguretta's child Andreas, born February 3d, baptized March 21st, Sponsors Eskel Johansson, Miss Ingeberg Stedham and Miss Constantin.

5. Darby Whelan and wife Susa's child Richard, 4 months old, baptized April 18th, Sponsors Jacobus Van de Ver, Matthias Skagen, Olof Tossawa's widow Gertrude and Peter Mayer's wife Sara.

6. Regner Von Culen and wife Ingrid's child Kerstin, five months old, baptized April 25th, Sponsors Johan Von Culen, Peter Pâlson, Mrs. Elizabeth Colesberg and Miss Magaretta Classon.

7. Peter Petersson Canpany and wife Hellena's child Johannes born June 3d, baptized June 6th, Sponsors Johannes Månsson, Henrie Gruken, Måns Gustaf's wife Catharine, Miss Maria Snecker.

8. Edward Nelson and wife Sara's child Maria, born June 4th, baptized June 13th, Sponsors Peter Canpany, Jonas Stalcop, Samuel Stedham, Margaretta widow of Asmund, Miss Ingeberg La Quett, Miss Mary Skagan.

9. Staffan Cornelius and wife Wilhelmina's child Anders, born June 12; baptized Jnne 20, Sponsors Peter Petersson from Brandywine, Conrad Constantine, Gustaf Cock's wife Anna.

10. Gustaf Gustafsson and wife Kerstin's child Nils, born June 19th, baptized June 27, Sponsors Martin Gustafsson, John Walraven, Anders Gustaf's wife Brita, Johan Gustaf's wife Brita.

11. Martin Gustafsson and wife Brita's child Jonas, born May 23th, baptized August 29th, Sponsors Pastor Hessellius, I Swedberg, Mrs Sara Hesellius, Mrs. Maria Braun.

12. Christiern Joransson and wife Elizabeth's child Christina born August 27, baptized August 29th, Sponsors Matz Petersson, Peter Canpony, Mrs. Kustin Constantine, Mrs. Brita Stalcop.

13. The young Peter Mänsson and wife Annika's child Olof, born August 20th, baptized August 30th, Spons ors Johannes Mânsson, Timotheus Benedictus Stedham, The senior Peter Mânsson's wife Karin and Olof Tossawa's widow Gertrude.

14. Johannes de Foss and wife Johanna's child Matthias, six months old, baptized September 5, Sponsors Conrad Constantin, Mâns Gustafsson, Mrs. Kerstin Garrison and Miss Mary Constantin.

15. George Wilhelms and wife, Kustin, child, James 6 years old baptised September 7, Sponsors, Peter Mansson, Michael Mayer, Thomas Johnson and his wife Margaretta, Mrs. Helena Van de Ver.

16. Michael Meyers and wife Anna's, child, Christopher two weeks old, baptized September 7, Sponsors, Peter Mansson, Thomas Jamison and his wife Margaretta.

17. Zacharias Bertilson, (over the river) and his wife Sara's child William, baptized September 12, Spousors, Olof Van Neeman, Johan Bertilsson, Miss Anna Perssen and Miss Magdalena Von Neeman.

18. Pastor Andreas Hessillius and wife Sara's child Andreas, born September 15, baptized by his father, September 19, Sponsors, Bishop Swedburg (in his place responded) Charles Springer,

Col. John France, Jonas Walraven, Peter Canpany. The late Magister Hessellius' widow Maria Bergia, in Sweden, in whose place was Helena Canpony, Lucas Stedham's wife Karin and Anders Gustafs' wife Brita.

19. Timothens Adamsson Stedham and wife Engilke's child born September 18, baptized September 26, Sponsors Capt. Hans Petersson, Anders Cock, Jacob Van de Ver, Hans Petersson's wife Annika, Anders Cock's wife Sara.

20. Peter Mansson and wife Annika's child Kerstin (from Prince Morris), one year old, baptized September 26, Sponsors Conrad Constantin, Jonas Walraven's wife Annika, Mrs. Kerstin Garrisson.

21. Joran Andersson and wife Maria's child Elizabeth(from St. Georges) 4 weeks old, baptized September 28, Sponsors Peter Andersson, Johan Ivarson's widow Elizabeth Ivarson who just after the birth had privately baptized the child, Peter Andersson's wife Magdalena.

22. Jons Anders Joransson and wife Sara's child Jons,(from St. Georges) 4 weeks old, baptized September 28, Sponsors John Ivarson, Matz Ericsson, Johan Ivarson's wife Maria, Miss Kasin Ivasson.

23. Alberti Volbach and wife Barbro's child Peters, born September 25, baptized October 3, Sponsors Peter Canpany in Matz Petersson's place; Hendric Hendricsson, Anders Gustaf's wife Brita.

24. Johan Stalcop and wife Maria's child Christina, born October 20, baptized October 24, Sponsors Matz Petersson, Swen Gustafsson and his wife Catharina, from Wicacoe, Johan Gustafsson's wife Brita, Miss Maria Petersson.

25. Mans Gustafsson and wife Catharina's child Maria, born November 4, baptized November 7, Sponsors Martin Gustafsson, Lucus Lucasson Stedham, Mrs. Maria Braun, Mrs. Helena Canpany.

26. Johan Didrick Elrod and wife Maria Magdalena's child, Agneta, born October 29, baptized November 8, Sponsors, Hans Piettersson, Peter Petersson from Brandywine, Hans Piettersson's wife Annika and Mrs. Brita Dunkin.

27. Johan Gustafsson and wife Brita's child Maria, born November 24, baptized November 17, Sponsors, Gustaf Gustafsson, Jr. Hindric Orhan, Martin Gustaf's wife Brita, Miss Maria Petersson, Miss Maria Snecker.

28. Johan Johansson's child (over the river) Laurentz, baptized November 21, Sponsors, Olof Von Neeman, Martin Johnsson, Mrs. Anna Petersson, Mrs. Magdelena Von Neeman.

29. Lucas Petersson's child Abraham (over the river) baptized November 24, Sponsors Herr Abraham Lidenius, Johan Mink Elizabeth Mink 1715.

1. William Maslander and wife Helena's child Maria, born October 27, 1714 baptized January 1st, Sponsors, Pastor Hesselius Jesper Walraven, Sara Hessellius, Miss Ingeborg Laquette.

2. Hendric Hendricsson and wife Judith's child Peter, born December 31, 1714, baptized January 3rd Sponsors, Pastor Hessellius and his wife Sara.

3. Bertil Johan and wife Maria's child from (Elk River) Maria 5 months old, baptized February 2nd at St. Georges, Sponsors, Matz Johansson, John Ivarsson and wife Maria and Walborg Ivarsdotter.

4. Máns Anderson and wife Elizabeth's child Matz (from St. Georges) born December 31, 1714, baptized February 2nd. Sponsors, Peter Holsten, Johan Anderson, James Anderson's wife Sara John Ivarsson's wife Maria.

5. Paul Gustafson and wife Karin's child Gustaf, 6 weeks old baptized, February 6th, Sponsors, Hendric Stedham, Timotheus Lylofson Stedham, Edward Robinson's wife Margaretta and Johan Tossawa's wife Annika.

6. William Van de Ver's old negro Christian, baptized February 20th, Sponsors, Jonas Stalcop and Miss Judith Van de Ver.

7. Hans Sher and wife Annika's child Isaiah (over the river) baptized April 10th, Sponsors, Rev. Abraham Lideuius, John Van Neemeen, Miss Catharina Stalcop, Miss Carin Guilliamson.

8. Johan Dickman's child, Mariah (over the river) baptized April 10th, Sponsors, Anders Hendricsson, Margaretta Billerback.

9. Samuel Hals and Anna Elizabeth's child George, born 2 weeks before Christmas, baptized April 17th after having been previously baptized from necessity by his mother, Sponsors, Carl Springer and his wife Maria, Miss Judith Van de Ver.

10. Simon Johansson and wife Annika's child Olof of Elk River, 5 months old baptized May 15th, Sponsors, Regner Von Culen, Jacob Hendricsson from Cranehook, Olof Pâlsson's wife Elizabeth, Eric Ericsson's wife Annika.

11. Joseph Hodges and wife Catharina's child Joshua, born April 14th, baptized May 15th, Sponsors, Pastor Hessellius and his wife Sara, Anders Kock and Johan Henderson's wife Brita.

12. Robin Pickman and wife Sara's child Anna (over the river) baptized May 15th Sponsors, Abraham Savoy, Miss Anna Persson Miss Sara Bertilsson.

13. Cornelius Corneliisson's child Jacob (over the river) baptized May 15th, Sponsors, Jacobus Van de Ver Hindric Petterson, Miss Anna Frantssen, Miss Grenilla Bertilsson.

14. Philip Van de Ver and wife Elizabeth's child Peter born May 11th, baptized May 22nd, Sponsors. Timotheus Lylofsson Stedham, Jonas Stalcop, Coruelius Van de Ver, widow Margaretta, Miss Elizabeth Van de Ver.

15. Mâns Pâlsson and wife Margaretta's child Pâl, born May 18th, baptized May 29th, Sponsors, Margaretta Hessellins, Constantıns Constantin, Hans Pietterson's wife Anna.

16. Johan Classon's child Oney (over the river) baptized June 3rd, Sponsors, Jacobus Van de Ver, Jean Savoy, Miss Karin Guilliamson.

17. Hendric Vainam's child Hans, (over the river,) baptized June 3rd, Sponsors, Johan Hindricson, Martin Johnson, Ana Sher, Catharine Hendricson.

18. Johan Johanson and wife Hanna's child Lydia, (from Elk river,) 7 months old, baptized June 5th, Sponsors, Gustaf Gustafsson, Jr., Martin Gustafson, Jonas Walraven's wife Annika, Martin Gustafsson's wife Brita.

19. Jacob Stelle and wife Rebeca's child Maria, born June 22nd, baptized July 3rd, Sponsors, Conrad Constantin, Martin Gustafsson and his wife Brita, Geisee the wife of Peter Pâlsson, Sen., Martin Gustaf's wife Brita.

20. Hugh Simons and wife Francina's child Christina, 16 years old, baptized July 8th, Sponsors, Carl Springer and his wife Maria.

21. Johan Oins and wife Elizabeth's child Catharine, 6 weeks old, baptized July 17th, Sponsors Peter Mânsson, Anders Stalcop, Miss Helena Petersson, Miss Sara Mânsson,

22. Hendric Garrisson and wife Kerstin's child Hendrick, born July 17th, baptized July 24th, Sponsors, Conrad Constantin, Johan Garresson, Peter Pâlsson's wife Geisie, Maria Constantin.

23. Hugh Simmons and wife Francina's daughter Mary, 20 years old, baptized July 31st, Sponsors, Anders Cock Staffen, Cornelius wife Willaminke.

24. Hugh Simmons and wife Francina's son Charles, 27 years old, baptized August 7th, Sponsors, Johan Gustafsson, Mâns Gustaf's wife Catharina.

25. Peter Meyer and wife Sara's child Abraham, born May 7th, baptized May 14th, Sponsors Pastor Hessellins and his wife Sara, Timothens Lylofson Stedham, Annika the wife of Peter Mnsson, Jr.

26. Ambrosius Loudon and wife Brita's child Jesper, born May 9th, baptized May 14th, Sponsors, Martin Gustafsson, Lucas Stedham, Jr., Mrs. Maria Braun, Miss Sara Jespesdotter Walraven.

27. Zackarias Didricsson and wife Helena's child Peter, born July 21st, baptized August 14th, Sponsors, Thomas Jansson, Michael Meyer, Thomas Johnson's wife Margareta, Timotheus Stedham's wife Elizabeth.

28. Edward Robinsson and wife Margaretta's child Richard, born August 30th, baptized September 11th, Sponsors, George Whiteside, Peter Classon, Mrs. Maria Braun, Mrs Walborg Classon.

29. Cornelius Walraven and wife Wolborg's child Johannas, (in St. Georges,) 5 weeks old, baptized October 4th, Sponsors, James Joransson Andersson, Mâns Andersson, Mrs. Maria Ivars, Miss Catharina Ivars.

30. Staffan 'Tossawa and wife Catharina's child Catharina, born September 30th, baptized October 9th, Sponsors, Israel Petersson, Timotheus Llyofson Stedham, Mrs. Helena Petersson, John Gustafsson's wife Brita.

31. Johanes Mânsson and wife Ingeborg's child Peter, born October 14th, baptized October 16th, Sponsors, Peter Mânsson, Christiern Brinburg, Lucas Stedham, Jr., Lucas Stedham's wife Carin, John Gustaf's wife Brita, Miss Sara Mânsson.

32. Johan Von Culen and wife Kerstin's child Johan, born October 19th, baptized October 23rd, Sponsors, Eric Erricson from Cranehook, Peter Classon and his wife Wolborg, Miss Mary Pâlsson.

33. Johan Link and wife Anna's child Johan, 2 years old, baptized November 5th, Sponsors, Johan Von Culen, Pâl Pâlsson and his wife Elizabeth.

34. Johan Grantrem's widow's children;

Carl, about 12 years old,
35. Helena, 7 years old,
36. Ambrosius, 5 years old,

} baptized November 7th, Sponsors Enoch Canby, Peter Anderson's wife Magdalena, and Sara Hesellius for the youngest, in whose place stood Peter Anderson's wife Magdalena.

37. Anders Cock and wife Sara's child Brita, 7 weeks old, baptized December 11th, Sponsors, Conrad Constantine, Timotheus Lylofsson Stedham, Eric Anderson's wife Brita, Miss Magdalena Petersdotter.

38. Jacob Van de Ver and wife Maria's child Jacob, born November 30th, baptized December 12, Sponsors, Pastor Hesselius, Peter Petersson, Miss Judith Van de Ver, Miss Magdalena Petersdotter.

39. Janson and wife Susanna's child Johan, 8 weeks old baptized December 8th, (of German birth and Presbyterians) Sponsors, Johan Willian Lerchenzciler, Anders Gustaf's wife Brita. (*a*)

Record of Burials, 1714.

1. Thomas Jonsson's wife Anna, buried April 21st.
2. Staffan Cornelius' son Cornelius, buried January 2nd.
3. Joseph Clayton's wife Ella, buried July 11th.
4. Johan Anderson's wife Catharine, buried September 7th.
5. Johan Gustafsson's child Maria, buried December 5th.
6. Michael Meyer's child Christopher, buried December 22nd.

Burials, 1715.

1. Peter Petersson Canpany, buried February 6th.

a. Hereafter the names of sponsors, etc., will be omitted. Also the record of communicants at each celebration of the communion.

2. Staffan Tossawa, buried February 8th.
3. Magdalena Stubby, buried March 6th.
4. Anders Gustafsson's child Johannes, buried March 11th.
5. Richard Mankin, buried March 18th.
6. Anton Vainam's mother Elizabeth, buried March 24th.
7. Morton Gustafsson's child Jonas, buried March 27th.
8. Peter Cock } buried in their garden at St. Georges,
9. Magnus Cock } March 30th.
10. Hindric Johanson Orkan, buried April 3rd.
11. James Davis, buried April 3rd.
12. Albertus Wolback, buried April 4th.
13. Johan Iwarson, buried in his garden at St. George's, April 5th.
14. Edward Wilsson's wife Sara.
15. Wm. Skagan's widow Elizabeth, buried May
16. Johan the child of Peter Månsson, Jr., buried May 16th.
17. Daniel, the servant of Peter Månsson's son, buried June 29.
18. Johan Robinsson, buried August 3rd.
19. Johan Stalcop's child Christina, buried September 12th.
20. Johan Gustaf's child Swen, buried September 23rd.
21. Johan Oin's wife Elizabeth.

A. D. 1716. Eskel Johanson worked on the well at the parsonage from the 27th of January to the 5th of February, making all the necessary wood work above and around, with a windlass, posts and roofing, &c., and all without any pay, but for the honor and service of the church, and for the love of the glory of God, and the benefit of the Priest folk.

On the 9th of May there was a general meeting of the congregation held at the parsonage, at which ware present His Highworthiness Herr Provost Anders Sandal and the Pastor Magister Hessellius and the elders of the church and many of the members. When first after calling on the Most High for his blessing on all our present work in hand, we consulted with His High-

worthiness Herr Provost concerning the best means to induce the parishioners to learn, and to have their children instructed in the catechism and works calculated to build them up in christian doctrine. The pastor said that the examination held each Sunday after the Oct. song sermon did not have the desired effect, partly because so few have the courage to answer loudly and plainly as to what they have learned, and partly because many adults will not answer, considering this kind of examination suitable for children only.

Whereupon the Provost exhorted the congregation saying that the older should by their example encourage the younger, and so they all would be able to give expression to their christian belief and understanding of the doctrines.

As regards visiting at their houses, notwithstanding the pastor has promised them that if they would appoint any day in the week he will come to them by the help of God, and instruct them in God's word, very few have signified a willingness to profit by such proposition and opportunity, and he often has taken a long journey in vain, as the children could not be gathered together on account of various engagements without or within the house. The Provost proposed that at such time as can best be spared from work, notice should be given from the pulpit eight days beforehand, that a neighborhood should be assembled at a certain house on such day as the pastor shall please to appoint and can be present.

2nd. The pastor also talked with the Provost about school master Hernbohm, who came over from Sweden about three years ago, for the purpose of instructing the Swedish children by keeping school, being recommended thereto by His Highworthiness Dr. and Bishop Swed-

berg to both congregations, and if he could not now at a convenient time be spared from the upper congregation, and in some way be able to come down here when some of the people shall find means to encourage him to teach their children.

Herr Provost answered, it would indeed be possible if only the members of the congregation who had most need of a school master for their children, will pledge themselves to so honorable and satisfactory support for Mr. Hernbohm as has already been afforded in the upper congregation, where he has had his continuous abode since he first came into the country.

Whereupon the pastor promised to obtain each one's assent and subscription for the salary of the school master, who will and can have his children well instructed. Then Mr. Springer arose immediately, and before the whole assembly promised for his part, home and board free, with five pounds to Mr. Hernbohm for a years' salary.

3rd. The meeting united in a free will offering to the church in acknowledgment of the favor shown them by God, by the last sending here of the bibles and psalm books by the High Authorities of Sweden. Each one who had received a bible gave 6 shillings, a psalm book in 8 vo., two shillings, 6 pence; one in long 12 mo., two shillings, and they who had the smallest, only 18 pence.

4th. Complaint was made with regard to the dreary condition of the parsonage house, which was so out of repair that the rain came through and through; the congregation has repeatedly been informed thereof, on several occasions and at parish meetings they had acknowledged the needed reparation, yet nothing has been done. Mr. Hesselius wished them at least to build a kitchen on the west side of the house by which there

would be more room for the occupants, and the wall would be protected from the rain.

They all agreed to this and promised to undertake the work this summer.

5th. The pastor presented the yearly accounts (which is set down on the opposite page,) and as no one of the congregation doubted the honesty of the Churchwardens in the case of the money, it was resolved and unanimously requested that the same wardens, viz., Johan Gustafsson and Philip Van de Ver should continue to serve another year, which they willingly consented to.

6th. As the Church Council on the other side of the river no longer belong to Holy Trinity Church, since they have had liberty to have a separate church and pastor, it was found necessary to elect some good men in their places to the Church Council from this side, which was accordingly done, the congregation giving their votes for Eric Ericsson at Cranehook, Joran Andersson of St. Georges, Johan Tossawa, Mâns Gustafsson and Johan Von Culen, so that the present Church Council of the church at Christina are Mr. Carl Springer, Jonas Walraven, Conrad Constantine, Joran Andersson for St. Georges, Lucas Stedham, Mâns Gustafsson, Peter Mansson, Matthias Petersson, Jacob Van de Ver, Eric Ericsson on Cranehook, Johan Tossawa, Johan Von Culen.

8th. All those who had not yet obtained seats in the church were informed that they had the privilege of selecting any that suited them of such as were still unoccupied, paying the proper price.

The members of the congregation also considered and discussed what should be done with Edward Robinson's empty pew, but could not arrive at any certain conclu-

sion and so the matter was postponed till some other time, and in meantime wait, hoping for his repentance for forsaking the church. Hereupon His Highworthiness, Herr Provost took an affectionate leave of the meeting which then was dissolved.

The 13th of May there was a meeting of the Church Council, when Eric Ericsson on Cranehook presented his long talked of grievance of the cost of the ferriage over the Christina, claiming that a long time ago when the church was built, there was an agreement made that this part of the congregation on this side of Christina Creek should furnish a canoe for the use of those dwelling on the other side for free ferriage so long as Christina Church remained, but as nothing of the sort appeared on the church records and no one on this side knows of any such agreement therefore, herewith the controversy must end, and Ericsson enjoined to never say anything more about it. (a)

On the 25th June there was a meeting of the Church Council, when Timothy Lylofson Stedham gave up the bell-ringing, and Samuel Stedham undertook it in his place.

The 25th of June Mr. Jonas Walraven finished the work on the well at the priest house with rough casting.

The 1st of July the Church Council were together after Divine service and reminded the Churchwardens of their duty to see to the repairing of the doors of the church, which they promised to attend to.

The 8th of July His Highworthiness Herr Lidenius took over the river with him from Christina church, a copy of the large psalm book and of the hand book.

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a. The canoe was for them living on the other side of the Delaware who usually crossed at New Castle and walked up, so that they could come around into the dock and up to church.

The 10th of July a wonderful and uncommon thing happened a ewe gave birth to a greatly deformed monster two lambs bodies being united without any head, each body having its four legs and each its tail, the tails inclining towards each other. There was in the middle the appearance as if a head might be there though there was no head or sign of one except a cleft ear upon the middle. This occurence is set down here because His Highworthiness Herr Bishop Dr. Swedberg in a letter to the Priests last year, directed that all unusual and unnatural phenomona should be carefully recorded in the church book for the benefit of posterity.

July 22nd the pastor informed the Church Council of the Highworthy Provost's conclusion with regard to a school master for Christina, that notwithstanding the pastor and the elders of the church had requested that Mr. Hernbohm should come down here to the congregation as also he had been recommended to them by the Highworthy Bishop, nevertheless as he had already made a good beginning in instructing certain of the upper congregatian's children, so that he could not soon be spared without detriment to them, the Herr Provost thought it advisable that Mr. Gioding should be encouragingly asked to undertake school-keeping, as he had formerly on this side as well as the other side of the river done the young good service which proposition as no one could say anything against it was requested to be promoted and set in operation.

August 26th. The Church Council met to consult about building a kitchen at the parsonage and though they had thought of building a house of timber yet on account of the difficulty of inducing the congregation to prepare and bring forward the timber they concluded

to build a frame house, and Eskel Johansson promised to make it as good as possibly could be and of not less value than a timber house.

September 12th. The Church Council contracted with Eskel Johansson to build the above mentioned kitchen building and promised him £7, 10 shil., for the work which should include cutting and preparing the timber, setting it up, and roofing, and laying the floor so soon as plank for it could be sawed and fited or the work.

Record of Marriages 1716.

1. Anders Gustafsson Johansson, and Miss Mary Månsson, married January 3d.

3. Jonas Stalcop and Miss Judith Van de Ver, married January 5th.

3. Hendric Stedham and Miss Elizabeth Tossawa, married January 29th.

4. Erasmus Stedham and widow Helena Petersson, married May 11th.

5. Jasper Walraven and Miss Maria Snecker, married May 24th.

6. Joseph Barker and Miss Johanna Clayton, married September 27th.

7. William Forehead and Miss Maria Stedham, married November 6th.

Record of Baptisms 1716.

1. Gustaf Cock and wife Anna's child Catharina, born December 28th, 1715, baptized January 1st.

2. Peter Classon and wife Walborg's child Jesper, born February 21st, baptized February 27th.

3. William Abraham and wife Maria's child Joseph, born February 18th, baptized March 4th.

4. Ante Wainan and wife Margaretta's child Maria, born March 8th, baptized March 11th.

5. Martin Gustafsson and wife Brita's child Gustaf, born March 19th, baptized March 25th.

6. Olof Pâlsson and wife Elizabeth's child Susanna, baptized April 4th, 3 weeks old.

7. Anders Loinan and wife Brita's child Joran, born May 19th, baptized May 27th.

8. Jonas Stalcop and wife Judith's child Johan, born May 26th, baptized June 3d.

9. Olof Mânson and wife Anna's child Johannes, (in St. Georges) baptized June 5th.

10. Richard Enos and wife Susanna's child Elizabeth, born March 30th, baptized June 17th.

11. Lucas Lucasson Stedham and wife Ingeborg's child Peter, born June 18th, baptized June 24th.

12. Gustaf Hessellius and wife Lydia's child Andreas, born July 28th, baptized July 29th.

13. Israel Peterson and wife Margaeretta's child Lylof, born July 28th, baptized August 5th.

14. Staffan Cornelius and wife Williminka's child Gustaf, born August 3d, baptized August 5th.

15. Michael Meyers and wife Anna's child William, born July 16th, baptized August 12th.

16. Simon Johansson and wife Anna's child Maria, (in Elk River,) baptized August 12th, 8 weeks old.

17. William Maslander and wife Helena's child William born August 17th, baptized September 9th.

18. Johan Stalcop and wife Maria's child Matthias, born September 26th, baptized September 30th.

19. Bille Cock and wife Emma's child Johan, baptized October 21st, 10 months old.

20. Timotheus Adamsson Stedham and wife Engelke's child Magdalena, (necessary baptized September 4th.

21, Pastor Hessellius and wife Sara's child Petrus, born November 7th, baptized November 11th.

22. Hindric Garrisson and wife Kerstin's child Conrad, born November 16th, baptized November 18th.

23. Johannes de Foss and wife Hannah's child Anne, baptized November 25th, 10 months old, and only through the neglect of parents and contempt of all advice without the least excuse has been kept from baptism unto this day.

24. Mâns Gustafsson and wife Catharine's child Anders, born November 19th, baptized November 28th.

25. Erasmus Stedham and wife Helena's child Andreas, born November 22nd, baptized November 25th.

26. Isabel Atkinson baptized December 23, twenty-one years old.

BURIALS 1816.

1. Ante Vainan's child Staphan, buried March 30th.
2. Eric Ericson (from Crane hook,) buried November 8th.
3. Olof Tossawa's widow Gertrude, buried September 25th.
4. Pastor Hesselliu's child Petrus, buried November 25th.

In Holy Trinity Church close to Provost Biork's child Petrus, which can be seen in the first church book page 89.

A. D. 1717. The frame of the kitchen at the parsonage was raised by Conrad Constantin, Johan Von Culen, Lucas Stedham, Jr., and both the Churchwardens with Erasmus Stedham, Samuel, the Sexton, Timotheus Lylofsson Stedham and Johan Stalcop.

May 7th. There was a general parish meeting at the parsonage, when were present the Rev. Provost Andreas Sandall, Herr Abraham Lidenius, the Pastor of Ratcong's Creek Church, and a large number of the congregation.

1st. His Highworthiness the Provost, after calling on God for his blessing that the meeting might have a good result, asked the congregation why they treated their pastor so badly by keeping back his salary, and neglecting their promises, inasmuch as more than twenty persons have entirely failed to pay anything for five years, and a large number of other members have neglected to do anything for the support of their teacher for the past year. Churchwarden Philip Van de Ver said that he was not to blame for the neglect, and so far as he can get a list of the arrearages he is ready to gather them in.

The pastor replied that no list was necessary, as almost all in common are behind in the fulfillment of their promise.

Mr. Springer in the name of the congregation proposed that the salary should be increased by a new promise and addition, viz: That those who have heretofore promised to pay in old money will now for the future pay the same in new currency, to which Mr. Gioding replied that such a promise will do no good, because they who have paid nothing of the lesser promise will hardly fulfill a greater one.

Nevertheless some expressed a willingness to make the increase, and Mr. Springer set down their names and the pastor expressed satisfaction therewith.

2nd. The Provost represented the necessity of setting up regular Swedish school keeping in the congregation, to which the Pastor agreed immediately with great pleasure, and gave his opinion that if Mr. Gioding could take up his abode at some place in the Parish which would be convenient for most of the children to come together, he probably will take upon himself the duty of school teaching upon terms which he and the parents of the children may be able to agree upon. They all seemed to think well of the project, provided they could agree upon the school place. They thereupon named three places around which most of the children were to be found, viz: with Mr. Springer, Johan Stalcop and Christiern Brunburg, and it was agreed that the neighbors should meet with Mr. Springer on a certain day, come to a decision about the school place and the school-master's salary, and the sooner the better.

3rd. Johan Von Culen was appointed to collect and take to Wicacoe the skins which the congregation had

promised to the merchant Oriot in London, for the care he has heretofore taken to forward over Swedish letters and books.

4th. Wm. Mahlender was chosen to the Church Council, in place of Eric Ericsson of Cranehook, deceased, so that the Church Council for the present year are these:

Mr. Carl Springer, Conrad Constantin, Peter Mânsson, Jonas Walraven, Johan Tossawa, Matthias Petersson, Lucas Stedham, Johan Von Culen, Jacob Van de Ver, Mâns Gustafsson, William Mahlender, Joran Andersson in St. Georges.

5th. His Honorworthiness Mr. Lidenius, Pastor at Ratkong creek, presented the request from the congregation over the river to this congregation for assistance towards their new church, according to the promise which was given when Holy Trinity Church was built, in return for the rich joint help given by those on the other side of the river at that time.

It was resolved that the request is reasonable and its propriety no one can deny. Therefore Mr. Springer along with the rest of the council promised to consult, and consider means for the compliance with the said parties legitimate request.

Whereupon the meeting was dissolved after an exhortation of the Provost to the congregation to live in love and unity with each another.

May 8th. Herr Lidenius took the old alms purse from the church at Christina with the consent of the Provost and Pastor to carry over to his congregation to be used in St. George's Church May 22d. The Pastor met with churchwarden Johan Gustafsson and the neighbors up in the woods, and Mr. Gioding with regard to the

school keeping which was decided upon at the last meeting, in order to get in operation as soon as possible, for though it had been decided to have the school at Mr. Springers' he had in the mean time made objection to having it there because Staffan Cornelius who had many children was not at home but with Indians at Conestowa, and it was uncertain when he would come home, therefore the school could not properly be at his house or at least we should wait till Staffan's return.

But those parents who had more zeal for the instruction of their children, thought that no time should be lost in so important and christian, undertaking. Therefore Johan Gustafsson offered to furnish both house and board for the schoolmaster, if in other respects they could come to an agreement.

This proposition the pastor was very much in favor of accepting, therefore on the aforesaid day he presented himself at Johan Gustafsson's, with Mâns Gustafson, Gustaf Gustafsson, Johan Stalcop, Ante Vainan's wife Margaretta, and Mr. Gioding, and held consultation both with regard to the place and wages, and agreed that the before named persons together with Anders Gustafsson should send their children to Johan Gustafsson's house the next coming 17th of June, when Mr. Gioding shall be ready to begin school-keeping for this present year, to the same time in the next coming year, and have for wages 30 shillings for each child, leaving all the rest of the congregation at liberty to send their children whenever they please and agree on the terms the best they can.

1817, June 17.—Mr. Gioding began holding school in Johan Gustafsson's house, when the pastor was present with as many of the parents as could attend, and after

previously calling upon God with singing and prayer and a Godly talk to the children and their parents, examined the children as to their proficiency and then recommended them to Mr. Gioding, the names of which children are here inserted:

1. Gustaf Johan Gustafsson, 9 years old, can read his catechism tolerably well, and also answers very well various questions of christian instruction.

2. Peter Joh n Gustafsson, 7 years old, recites the ten commandments tolerably well.

3. Mary Geens, 9 years old, can read Swedish and say the ten commandments.

4. Gustaf Mâns Gustafsson, 7 years old, can read Swedish tolerably well

5. Máns Gustaf's daughter Annika, 6 years old, can spell Swedish tolerably well.

6. Anders Gustaf's daughter Catherina, 12 years old, can read in a book, but must begin to learn to spell right.

7. Peter Stalcop Johansson's son, 5 years old, knows the letters.

8. Margaretta, the late Peter Stalcop's daughter, 11 years old, reads Swedish indifferently well, but must learn to spell anew.

9. Thomas Davis, 11 years old, can spell Swedish a little.

10. Annika, Anders Gustaf's daughter, 8 years old, can spell a little.

11. Ante Vainan's son Lars, 7 years old, knows the letters.

June 23.—Johan Gustafsson resigned the office of Church-warden, and those of the congregation who were then present at the church elected Lucas Stedham Jr., in his place to be with Philip Van de Ver, Church-wardens for the current year.

June 30.—Samuel Stedham resigned the office of sexton and Timotheus Lylofsson Stedham was chosen in his place.

October 17.—The pastor was called to Johan Tos-

sawa's, over Brandywine, to visit Hendric Stedham's sick wife and administer the Holy Supper, and on the way Hindric Stedham showed the Pastor two white oaks standing about two musket shots from each other, both beside the King's road, on the west side as you go up to Philadelphia, the one below the other on the stony hill above the land of Hans Piettersson who lives at Skillpot Creek. It seemed to rain under these oaks and nowhere else, while the heavens were clear and sunshiny, and no sign of a cloud to cause the rain. The day previous which was the 16th October, Hindric Stedham with his mother and Michael Meyer, first observed the rain, and now when the pastor, this 17th day of October, came to the same place, notwithstanding the day was unusually clear and sunshiny, and it was mid-day, he saw with wonder that the rain was falling in fine drops under the first tree though thicker under the second, and it was so clear that the drops were to be seen on leaves, hats and clothes, from which, however, they were very soon dried. One could indeed, both recognize and taste the moisture without observing any difference between it and any other rain water.

Towards evening when the sun was somewhat more than an hour high, as the pastor was returning from the sick woman, he saw still clearer the rain against the sun, and that there was no place around about, no matter how carefully one searched in the wood where such rain was to be seen. Therefore one may safely consider this to be a peculiar phenomenon, not unlike that which occurred two years ago by the King's road on the other side of New Castle.

God forbid that such strange occurrences should forebode us any evil! No one has seen that unusual rain since that day, the atmosphere having been mostly

cloudy, and common rain has often been falling since that time here in Christina.*

MARRIAGES, 1717.

1. Christopher Stedham and Miss Johanna Von Culen, married Jan. 3.

2. Cornelius Ja Quette and Miss Maria Pâlsson, married May 14.

3. Anders Stalcop and Widow Barbro Wolback, married May 23.

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4. Nathaniel Tucker and Mrs. Catharina Ivarsson, married October 31st.

5. Johan Oins and Miss Margaretta Stedham, married November 19th.

BAPTISMS 1717.

1st. Hindric Hindricsson and wife Judith's child Zacharias, born January 16th, baptized January 20th.

2. Philip Van de Ver and wife Elizabeth's child Maria, born January 20th, baptized January 27th.

3. Zacharias Didricsson and wife Helena's child Cornelius, born February 7th, baptized February 10th.

4. Henry Powell and wife Elizabeth Kent's child Anna Prudens, 6 years old, baptized February 9th.

5. William Forehead and wife Mary's child Margaretta, born February 19th, baptized March 4th.

6. Jacob Stille and wife Rebbecca's child Peter, born March 8th, baptized March 10th.

7. Christopher Meyer and wife Matta's child Margaretta, 7 weeks old, baptized March 10th.

8. Johan Stout and wife Anna's child Joseph, (from St. Georges,) 6 months old, baptized March 10th.

9. Christiern Joran and wife Elizabeth's child Margaretta, (from Fish point,) born November 26th, 1716, baptized Mar. 19.

10. Ambrosius London and wife Brita's child Ambrosius, born March 17th, baptized March 24th.

11. Rees Prees and his strumpet Eleonora Morris' illegitimate child Catharine, 11 months old, baptized in the house of Mr. Springer, April 8th.

12. William Howell and wife Margaretta's child Patience, 1 year old, baptized April 22nd.

*The drops were emitted by a certain insect. B.

13. Peter Månson, Jr., and wife Anna's child Johannes, born April 22nd, baptized April 24th.

14. Bertil Johansson and wife Maria's child Susanna, (Elk river,) born March 17th, baptized May 5th.

15. Pål Gustafsson and wife Catharina's child Peter, 8 weeks old, baptized May 19th.

16. The Quaker Oliver Matthews and wife Elizabeth's son William, 20 years old, baptized June 9th.

17. Gustaf Gustafsson and wife Kerstin's child Swen, born July 17th, baptized July 21st.

18. Johan Tossawa and wife Anna's child Hindric, born July 15th, baptized July 21st.

19. William Richardson and wife Mary's daughter Anna, 7 years old, the 5th of last April, baptized July 31st, in the house of Samuel Barker.

20. William Richardson and wife Mary's child Mary, one year old 17th of March last, baptized July 31st in the house of Samuel Barker.

21. William Hicks and wife Anna's child William, born December 17, 1715, baptized July 31st, in the house of Samuel Barker.

22. Samuel Hall and wife Anna Elizabeth's child Samuel 7 weeks old, baptized August 4th.

23. Matz Hamelin and his deceased wife Ingeborg's child Anna (in St. Georges,) born December 31, 1716, baptized in the house of Joran Anderson Sept 17th.

24. Hendrich Stedham and wife Elizabeth's child Johannes, born September 14th, baptized September 22nd.

25. Olof Pålson and wife Elizabeth's child Olof, born September 26th, baptized October 2nd.

26. Christopher Stedham and wife Johanna's child Catharina born September 26th baptized October 6th.

27. Lucas Stedham Jr. and wife Ingeborg's child Christina, born October 12th, baptized October 13th.

28. Johannes Månson and wife Ingeborg's child Lucas, born October 13th, baptized October 20th.

29th. William Cleany and wife Maria's child Rebecca, born

October 19th, baptized October 27th.

30. Anders Loinam and wife Brita's child Maria, born November 29th, baptized December 1st.

31. Anders Cock and wife Sara's child Helena born December 5th, baptized December 13th.

Record of Burials 1717.

1. Johan Tossawa's child Hindric, buried September 15th.
2. William Abraham's wife Maria, buried September 15th.
3. Richard Enos' child Joseph buried at Cranehook October 2nd.
4. Hindric Stedham's wife Elizabeth, buried November 9th.
5. Anders Loinan's child Maria buried December 22nd.

A. D. 1718. Honorworthy Herr Provost Magister Sandall was at Christina and preached, and after the close of Divine service the Council was convened, and the Herr Provost expressed his wish and opinion with regard to the portion of the church land which had been proposed to be sold to Mr. Runberg, to which piece of land no good title could be given, and he was under the necessity of purchasing another tract.

The Herr Provost considered it advisable that without the most urgent necessity, the said land should never again be offered for sale, it being a much better plan to hire out the land for the maintenance of the pastor than to sell it.

Record of Marriages, 1718.

1. Mârtin Mârtinsson and Miss Kerstin Walraven, married May 8th.

2. Christopher Shegel and Miss Anna Maria Aistrin, married May 15th,

3. Johan Jaquett and Miss Hannah Ellis, married November 6th.

4. Johan Andersson (from St. Georges,) and Miss, Elizabeth Iwarssen, married November 12th.

5. Johan Eaton and Miss Mary Skagan, married November 34th.

6. Johnathan Otley and Miss. Debora Manly, married December 8th.

BAPTISMS 1718.

1. Johan Barnet and wife Margaretta's children Robert, 5 years old the 13th of March, baptized January 3rd.

2-3. Thomas and Jeremia twins, three years old the coming Easter, baptized same day.

4. Peter Classon and wife Walborg's child Margaretta, born March 3rd, baptized March 9th.

5. Anders Stalcop and wife Anna Barbro's child Catharina, born March 4th, baptized March 9th,

6. Johan Barnet and wife Margareta's child Carl, born March 8th, baptized March 16th.

7. Johan Didrick Elrod and wife Maria Magdalena's child Elizabeth, (from St. Georges,) born March 12th, baptized March 18th.

8. Jesper Walraven and wife Maria's child Elizabeth, born March 25th, baptized March 30th.

9. Thomas Elwood and wife Elizabeth's son William, (from Philadelphia,) 10½ years old, baptized April 16th.

10. Edward Robinsson and wife Margareta's child Jacob, 14 days old, baptized April 17th.

11. Anders Vainan and wife Margareta's child Peter, born April 17th, baptized April 20th.

12. Pastor Hessellius and wife Sara's child Emmanuel, born April 24th, baptized April 27th. Sponsors, Mr. Gustaf Hessellius and his wife Lydia, *Herr Emmanuel Swedberg (in Sweden,) in whose place Christina Brunberg answered, Johan Stalcop, Jonas Walraven's wife Annika, Miss Mary Peterson.

13. Johan Barnet and wife Margareta's child Margareta, 9 years old, baptized May 11th.

14. Johannes de Foss and wife, Hanna's child Johan, born March 14th, baptized June 1st.

*Son of Bishop Swedberg, and founder of the New Church, called Swedenborgians.

15. Johan Eaton and the strumpet Elizabeth Nicssen's illegitimate child Maria, 3 months old, baptized June 1st.

16. Háns Gustafsson and wife Catharina's child Catharina, born June 6th, baptized June 15th.

17. Cornelius Jaquett and wife Maria's child Johan, born June 24th, baptized July 20th.

18. Richard Enos and wife, Susanna's child Maria, 9 weeks old baptized August 17th.

19. Johan Stalcop and wife Maria's child Tobias, born September 29th, baptized October 5th.

20. William Maslander and wife Helena's child Abraham, born October 12th, baptized August 19th.

21. Johan Von Culen and wife Kerstin's child Maria, born October 3rd, baptized October 19th.

22. Jacob Van de Ver and wife Hana's child Magdalena, born November 5th, baptized November 11th.

23. The Indians Meckanappit and Gertrude Toene's child Philip, 8 years old last August 15th, Sponsors, Johan Hindricsson and his wife Brita, who had adopted the boy for their foster child.

24. Thomas Bird and wife Sara's child Elizabeth, born September 15th, baptized December 8th.

25. Israel Petterson and wife Margareta's child Petrus, born December 2nd, baptzied December 9th.

26. Philip Van de Ver and wife Elizabeth's child Cornelius, born December 2nd, baptized December 10th.

27. Jonas Stalcop and wife Judith's child Annika, born December 10th; baptized December 14th.

28. Hindric Garresson and wife Kerstin's child Maria, born December 12th, baptized December 14th.

29. Mârtin Gustafsson and wife Brita's child Beata, born December 8th, baptized December 14th.

30. Michael Meyers and wife Anna's child David, born December 10th, baptized December 16th.

31. Timotheus Adamsson Stedham and wife Engelke's child Israel, born December 11th, baptized December 20th.

BURIALS 1718.

1. Christopher Stedham's child Catharina, buried July 4th.
2. Cornelius Ja Quett's child Johan, buried September 4th.
3. William Van de Ver, buried October 11th.
4. Peter Mânsson, buried November 8th.
5. Philip Van de Ver's child Cornelius, buried December 19th.

1719, March 7. Mârten Gustafsson brought 6 apple trees and 4 peach trees to the parsonage and planted them, thus showing his good disposition and wish to beautify and improve the Priest ground.

March 12th. Lucas Stedham, Jr., planted 10 apple trees and one peach tree on the Priest's land.

March 21st. Philip Van de Ver planted 6 Morello trees at the parsonage house.

April 8th. The Pastor met with Mr. Gioding and all the scholars in the house of Johan Stalcop in presence of most of the parents of the children, to have a formal closing of the past school keeping, which began June 17th, 1717, and had been sometime since ended, that it might be known by a proper examination how much improvement the children had made, and according to the wish of the parents dismiss Mr. Gioding from his school work. The pastor opened the exercises with a Godly prayer and appropriate remarks, after which Mr. Gioding in his praiseworthy manner according to the method of His Highworthiness Bishop Swedberg, in the beginning of his catechism, asked questions regarding the most important christian doctrines requiring proof from Holy Scripture, to which questions of Mr. Gioding to the surprise and gratification of all, they answered promptly and boldly, and so quickly confirmed their answers by a text of Holy Scripture, that all the company present could not refrain from glorifying God with tears of joy and gladness for their children's quick memory and

attainments, and the school-master's diligence and circumspection, who all that, only by conversation and without any book, had impressed upon the memories of the children.

And that there had been no fault in teaching them reading, the pastor proved by having them read portions of the psalms selected by him, and found to his great satisfaction that they could read Swedish well.

Of all the children who were enrolled on the 17th of June, 1717, there were none absent except Mary Geens, Thomas Davis, and Anders Gustaf's daughter Catherina, who had not been so fortunate as the other children, not being able to attend school constantly, though the last mentioned Catherina is very well advanced considering the little time she was able to be present.

When all was gone through with, the pastor concluded the examination with a children's hymn and a blessing on the children, whereupon all separated toward evening with mutual pleasure and congratulations.

May 3rd.—His Highworthiness, the Provost Magister Sandall, preached his valedictory sermon in Holy Trinity Church, and took an affectionate farewell of the congregation. At the same time the Provost requested the pastor, Magister Hessellius, to write in the name of all the Swedish Churches in unison, a letter to Her Majesty, the Queen of Sweden, as a respectful congratulation upon her entrance upon the government of the Swedish Kingdom, with a humble supplication for the continuance of the royal favor, which the American Churches have for so long time received from the Royal House of Sweden.

The pastor undertook the composition of the letter and had it ready, so that on the next following Sunday,

May 10th, the Church Council in Christina subscribed their names to it, and then it was sent to the other congregations to be subscribed, which having been done, the Herr Provost Sandall took the letter to carry over to Sweden.

The letter read as follows:

Most Mighty All Gracious Queen:

Before your Majesty's Royal Throne, we present with the deepest and most humble reverence, our hearty and most sincere congratulations upon your Royal Majesty's most happy accession to the crown and government of the high renowned kingdom of Sweden, and although we learn with the greatest sorrow that the Most High in His all-wise and incomprehensible Providence, had been pleased to call home so unexpectedly to the heavenly and eternal Kingdom, his dearest friend and most valuable instrument. His late, most glorious, Royal Majesty, your Majesty's highly beloved Royal Brother, yet we cannot but acknowledge with humble gratitude to the Divine Majesty, the unspeakable consolation and satisfaction at your universally desired succession to the royal throne, not only with regard to our old dear Fatherland Sweden, but also particularly to ourselves, who live in this foreign distant land under the protection of our Gracious Soveignty of England, and the free enjoyment of our religion, have for so many years enjoyed your Royal Majesty's late Royal Father's and then his late Royal Majesty, your Majesty's Royal Brother's most praiseworthy care for our souls by means of evangelical doctrine, maintained by sending over faithful and pious Priests to us with a good stock of Swedish bibles and pious books, which invaluable zeal for the dissemination of God's pure word, we with great

appreciation acknowledge, as we herewith in the deepest humility and confidence before your Royal Majesty, supplicate that the same Christ-like care for our souls' salvation, which your glorious predecessors have always shown, may also for a long time hereafter from your Majesty's all-mild continuance, shine forth and from your royal house, like as the rays of the sun are sent out to the uttermost parts of the earth.

We shall faithfully call upon the most High God that He will be pleased to richly reward such Royal favor with all spiritual blessings, and turn away from the Royal House all sorrowful and unfortunate occurences.

May the Lord make your Majesty's Royal Throne secure for all time, and grant that there never be wanting of your Royal blood to occupy it.

Wherewith we ever remain,

Most Gracious Queen,

Your Royal Majesty's,

Submissive Humble Servants and faithful intercessors in behalf of the United Swedish Congregations in Pennsylvania and New Jersey in America.

From Pennsylvania in America,

May the 10th, 1719.

May 20th. Samuel Stedham was sent with the following skins and furs to the Provost Sandall, to take over with him to Englad and Sweden as a present to our honorable patrons.

From Erasmus Stedham 5 Raccoon Skins.

From Lucas Stedham 1 Beaver Skin.

From Joseph Walraven 1 Beaver, 2 Minks, 1 Raccoon and 1 Fox.

From Ambrosius London, 4 Muskrats.
" Anders Johansson Stalcop, 1 Mink.
" Cornelius Ja Quett 1 Raccoon.
" Conrad Constantin 7 Raccoons, 1 Mink.
" Johan Stalcop, 2 Raccoon.
" Hindric Garretson, 1 Fox. 1 Mink.
" Måns Gustafsson 1 Lynx.
" Jacob Stille 2 Foxes, 1 Opossum.
" Peter Pålson 1 Mink.
" Lylof Stedham and Hendric Snecker 2 Raccoons.
" Peter Classon 2 Raccoons.
" Israel Stalcop 1 Raccoon.
" William Mahlander 1 Beaver, 2 Muskrats.
" Edward Robinsson 2 Raccoons.
" Mårten Mårtensson 1 Fox, 1 Wildcat.
" Peter Månsson's widow 1 Mink.
" Johan Tossawa's children 2 Minks, 2 Muskrats, 1 Raccoon.
" Zacharias Didricsson 1 Fox, 1 Raccoon, 2 Opossums.
" Matz Petersson 3 Raccoons.
" Staffan Vainan 1 Otter.
" Christain Brunberg 1 Beaver.
" Johan Von Culen 1 Fox.
" Timotheus Lylofsson Stedham 2 Foxes, 1 Raccoon 1 Mink.

From Philip Van de Ver 2 Raccoons.
" Widow Alice Van de Ver 2 Raccoons, 2 Minks.
" Staffan Cornelius 1 Bear.
" Jacob Van de Ver 2 Raccoons,
" Jonas Stalcop 8 Muskrats.

Hindric Stedham paid the expense of sending the above mentioned skins to Wicacoe.

The following persons sent money to buy more skins to make up what was lacking Jonas Stalcop 1 shil., Jonas Walraven 2 shil., Johan Mårtenson 10 pence, Andreas Vainam 2 shil 6 pence.

June 28th. The congregation elected at the church a

[a] The Swedish word for raccoon is Siapp, but the Swedes in America adopted the name espan from the Indians who called it espan or hespan.

Churchwarden in place of Philip Van de Ver, viz: Hindric Stedham, who together with Lucas Stedham, Jr., assumed the duties of Churchwardens for the current year.

The sexton Timotheus Stedham offered to serve the church till Autumn, and the congregation promised that they would pay his salary more jointly and punctually than they had done hitherto.

December 3d. His Honorworthiness Herr Samuel Hessellius arrived from Sweden with full Royal authority to be pastor at Wicacoe in Provost Sandel's place, with the proper Ecclesiastical documents printed in Skara.

When he arrived here at Christina, he had with him the following letters which were read to the coegregation at the first opportunity. The first was Her Royal Majesty Queen Ulrica's letter to the church, dated Stockholm, April 15th, 1719, which is attached to this book. The next is the Highworthy Bishop Swedberg's letter to the congregation, dated Brunsbo, August 5th, 1719, which through the mistake of the Bishop is directed to the Swedish Church in Philadelphia, though there is none such, therefore the good Bishop could have meant no other than this here at Christina, as Wicacoe had received also its own letter. Besides this letter to the congregation, pastor Andreas Hessellius had a separate letter from the Herr Bishop, dated Brunsbo, Aug. 5th, 1719, in which he appointed him to be Provost in the place of Herr Sandall, over the Swedish congregation with these words:

As I suppose Herr Sandall is now on his way home, according to the purport of his letter, I appoint you hereby to be Provost over the Swedish Churches, with

the confident expectation that you will be diligent in the performance of the office, and let me know on every occasion the condition and circumstances of the congregations, for which may God grant you grace. Amen.

MARRIAGES 1719.

1. Edward Brennen and Miss Mary Butcher, married January 7th.
2. Hans Piettersson Smith and Miss Elizabeth Oins, married February 5th.
3. John Wilder and Margaretta Van de Ver, married April 30.
4. Christiern Brynberg and Miss Maria Petersson, married July 2nd.
5. Samuel Stedham and Miss Annika Tossawa, married September 17th.
6. Hindric Stedham and Miss Catharina Van de Ver, married November 10th.
7. Jacobus Pålsson and Miss Mary Davis, married Dec. 29th.

BAPTISMS, 1719.

1. Ambrosius London and wife Brita's child Helena, born January 1st, baptized January 11th.
2. Jacob Stille and wife Rebecca's child Susanna, born January 19th, baptized January 25th.
3. Niclas Bishop and wife Dorcas' child Johan, born October 6th, 1718, baptized January 28th.
4. Erasmus Stedham and wife Helena's child Israel, born February 12th, baptized immediately after birth.
5. Hendric Hendricsson and wife Judith's child Christina, born February 27th, baptized March 1st.
6. Anders Loinan and wife Brita's child Catharina, born March 6th, baptized March 8th.
7. William Cleany and wife Maria's child William, born April 22nd, baptized May 3rd.
8. Joseph Barker and wife Johanna's child Maria, born September 24, 1718, baptized May 17th.
9. Johan Stout and wife Anna's child Johan, born January 28th, baptized May 17th.

10. Mârten Mârtensson and wife Kersten's child Matthias, born May 14th, baptized May 18th.

11. William Forehead and wife Maria's child Johan, born May 27th, baptized May 31st.

12. Edward Branin and wife Mary's child Annika, born May 15th, baptized May 31st.

13. Paul Kilpos and wife Catharine's child Johan, born May 3rd, baptized June 7th.

14. Gustaf Pâllsson and wife Marita's child Sara, born February 19, 1716, baptized June 7th.

15. Gustaf Pâlsson and wife Marita's child, Debora, born January 14, 1718, baptized June 7th.

16. Olof Pâlsson and wife Elizabeth's child Peter, born June 30th, baptized from necessity July 19th.

17. Joseph Coxe and wife Maria's child Margarita, 4 months and two weeks old, baptized July 19th.

18. Anders Stalcop and wife Barbara's child Andreas, born August 14th, baptized August 23rd.

19. Jesper Walraven and wife Maria's child Christina, born September 2nd, baptized September 24th.

20. Christopher Meyer and wife Matta's child Philip, born August 27th, baptized September 20th.

21. Christopher Stedham and wife Hanna's child Adam, born September 29th, baptized October 10th.

22. George Kraut and wife Anna Maria's child Johannes, 9 months old, baptized (at Amiasland) November 3rd.

23. Peter Mânsson and wife Annika's child Bengt, born October 31st, baptized November 8th.

24. Philip Van de Ver and wife Elizabeth's child Andreas, born November 25th, baptized November 29th.

25. Cornelius Ja Quett and wife Maria's child Casparus, born November 14th, baptized November 29th.

26. Henry Fowler and wife Mary Andersson's child William, 13 days old, baptized December 6th.

27. Anders Cock and wife Sara's child Andreas born December 12th, baptized December 20th.

28. Christiern Brynberg and wife Karia's child Elizabeth, born December 14th, baptized December 20th.

BURIALS 1719.

1. Eramus Stednam's child Israel, buried February 15th.
2. Johan Wilhelm Lerchenzeiler's wife Susanna, buried July 14th.
3. Edward Brannin's child Annika, buried July 24th.
4. Aaron Johansson's widow Barbro buried September 20th.,
5. Matz Petersson buried September 27th.
6. Edward Robinsson's wife Margaretta, buried October 30th.
7. Pastor Hessellius' child Emmanuel, buried October 6th in the church close to his deceased brother Peter.
8. Casparus Palatinus buried November 29th.

1720.—Pastor Samuel Hessellius preached for the first time in the church at Christina, the 1st of January.

February 24.—There was a general Parish meeting at the parsonage, concerning the use and improvement of the Priest land, when after various propositions were discussed *pro.* and *con.*, it was finally decided to agree with Anders Loinan on the following items :

1. Anders Loinan to take the land for four years for one-half of the proceeds.

2. He is promised help by the congregation in cutting and stacking grain.

3. Anders Loinan may use the pastor's two plow-horses, but shall not be obliged to keep more than one of them through the winters during the before mentioned four years.

4. Anders Loinan shall have liberty to clear new land if the old will not bear a crop, and in such case he shall have the first crop unless the people help him clear the land, in which case he shall give the pastor half.

5. For smith work on the plow irons the pastor and Anders shall each pay his half.

6. The pastor and tenant shall each pay one-half of the reapers.

7. The pastor and tenant shall each provide one-half the fodder for the cattle.

8. The pastor and tenant shall each find one-half the seed for sowing.

May 2nd.—There was a meeting of the whole parish at the parsonage in presence of his Honorworthiness the pastor in Jersey, Herr Abraham Lidenius, who had come here over the river in the interest of his church at St. Georges in Penn's Neck, to present the before mentioned just claim of that congregation of the obligation which the Christina congregation assumed in the promise to pay back to the members on that side of the river as they before had helped towards the church building and the Priest house.

Which debt this Christina congregation promised should be paid so soon as that part who lived over the river should be able to support its own Priest, and get permission from Sweden to have from there their own regularly called pastor.

And now in as much as this has all been accomplished, viz: That Penn's Neck congregation by the Highworthy Bishop Swedberg's direction has become really separated from Christina, and his Honorworthiness Herr Lidenius is properly authorized to be their separate pastor, and the congregation have at their sole expense built their church and rectory, and purchased the requisite glebe for their minister without the least help from those on this side of the river. Therefore it was decided and resolved at this meeting as follows:

1st. That the obligation was acknowledged as just, and that none of the Christina congregation could deny that such a transaction had taken place.

2nd. Then the congregation came to the agreement

that the money coming in for seats in the (*a*) vacant places should be delivered to the Churchwardens on the other side of the river, and received by them as a part of the payment of the debt.

3rd. That the rest should be set down to the remainder of the congregation, who shall pay it by their free promise.

The above propositions and resolutions were followed by some of the members subscribing their names to a promise to buy empty pews at Christina, but unluckily it has been found that many of the congregation are much more ready to promise than to fulfill those which they make, and so we can only rely upon the acknowledgment that the debt is a just one and should be paid.

After the close of the meeting every possible effort was made to collect for the payment of the debt to St. Georges' Church in Jersey, and from time to time the following named persons came in with their payments or promises.

Mr. Carl Springer for a seat for his wife in the first quarter in the second pew on the main aisle,	2	5	0
Peter Classon for his seat in the first quarter, fourth pew on the main aisle in Edward Månson's place,	1	10	0
Conrad Constantin for his seat in the first quarter, third pew on the main aisle in John Mink's place,	1	13	9
The following gave their free promise to St. Georges' congregation in Jarsey:			
Timotheus Lylofsson Stedham,	0	3	0
Conrad Constantin,	0	4	0
Lucas Stedham,	0	5	0
Erasmus Stedham,	0	5	0
Jonas Walraven,	0	3	0
Hindric Stedham,	0	3	0

a. That is left by those on the other side.

Peter Pålsson, at Whitely Creek,		0	3	0
Peter Classon,		0	3	0
Philip Van de Ver,		0	3	0
Samuel Peterson Jacob Van de Ver Jr.	remitted to be paid by Jacob Van de Ver,	0	10	0
	(over the river)	0	10	0

June 27th.—Gustaf Gustafsson was chosen warden in place of Lucas Stedham Jr.

July 20th.—The elders of the church subscribed the letter which Provost Hesselius in the name of the United Churches of Pennsylvania and New Jersey had drawn up to be sent over to Her Majesty the Queen in Sweden, at the first opportunity and reads as follows;

Dear and Most Gracious Queen.

Before your Royal Majesty's Exalted Throne we again presume to present our most humble thanks for the everflowing Royal favor which your Majesty in the most gracious writing to us, immediately at the beginning of your entrance upon the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden, most clemently was pleased to remember us with.

Our littleness and unworthiness were indeed such as to discourage us from so nearly approaching the Royal Swedish Throne, if we had not already become so accustomed through so many years to receive so many innumerable rays of grace which therefrom have streamed not less upon us in this far distant place who have come to depend upon them, and next to God's grace to ascribe to the authorities of our Fatherland all our earthly and spiritual prosperity.

But suffer us Most Gracious Queen to give expression to what at the same time is cause both of regret and joy, that we are utterly unable to explain our dutiful thankfulness for your Royal Majesty's most valuable and free

gift at the time of the coming of the Priests of a great number of bibles and books, as also your Royal Majesty's gracious care for our continuance in uprightness of living, and promotion, and help thereof.

It cannot but move every sincere christian conscience among us whom it may concern, but at the same time we see that it is the hand of the Most High God which leads your Royal Majesty's heart, notwithstanding our unworthiness, to so graciously promote our souls eternal salvation, and our gladness so exceeds our fear that we joyfully dare to promise before your Majesty, that the fruits of your Royal Majesty's exalted well-doing shall continually upbuild a pure christianity and cause faithful prayers to God for your Royal Majesty's health, prosperity, a quiet and peaceful government with all possible success and welfare of the Royal House in particular, and all our dear Fatherland in general. And to conclude, we shall reckon among our greatest joys to constantly remain until our dying hour.

Most Gracious Queen,
Your Royal Majesty's
Obedient most humble servants
and faithful intercessors.
In behalf of the Swedish congregations in America.

WM. STUBBY,
CARL CHRISTOPHER SPRINGER, JONAS WALRAVEN.
LUCAS STEDHAM, etc., etc., etc.

From Pennsylvania,
the 20th July, 1720.

In the month of July, Provost Hessellius promised to preach and conduct Divine service in English in St. James' Church at White Clay Creek, every 3d Sunday,

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he being requested so to do by Mr. George Ross, the rector at New Castle, on the petition of many members of the English Church.

A. D. 1720; November 13.—The Church Council met and it was resolved that Eskel Johansson should come to an agreement with the congregation for work done by him at the parsonage before the coming into the country of the Provost Hessellius.

November 14.—Eskel Johansson with Mr. Jonas Walraven on his part, and Mr. Johan Von Culen on the part of the congregation, met to further consider Eskel's work they agreed that Eskel should have from the congregation in payment both for that on the barn and the Priest house, leaving out the kitchen, once for all, nine pounds proclamation money, which the Church-wardens are to collect as soon as possible.

In December the house on Pickering's land was built and tolerably well prepared for the occupation of the tenant on the Priest land.

Record of Marriages 1720.

1. Samuel Fink and Mrs. Alice Van de Ver, married January 8th, with Governor's license.

2. Johan William Lerchenzeiler and widow Margareta Van de Ver, married April 19th.

3. Valentine Cock and widow Elizabeth Joransson, married April 20th.

4. William Ver de Man and Miss Magdalena Petersson, married April 21st.

5. Samuel Peterson and Kerstin Mârkens, married May 26th.

6, Pastor Herr Samuel Hessellius and Miss Brita Leikan, married June 9th, by license.

7. Israel Stalcop and Miss Sussanna Jaquett by license, married August 9th.

8. Johnathan Kirk and Miss Mary Andersson, by license married August 16th.

9. Johan Seeds and Miss Sara Jespersdotter Walraven, married August 22nd.

10. William Kellam and Miss Mary Reynolds by license, married August 23rd.

11. Edward Robinsson and Mrs Elizabeth Petersson by license, married October 18th.

12. Peter Pâlsson of Sheephook and Miss Catharina Cock, married November 1st.

13. Hindrick Snicker and Miss Catharina Robinsson, married November 2nd.

14. Jacob Jacobsson Van de Ver and Miss Margaret Månsson, married November 2nd.

15. Johan Garrisson Frill and Miss Anna Pâlsson, married November 15th.

BAPTISMS 1720.

1. Provost Magister Hessellius and wife Sara's child Jonas, born January 7th, baptized January 10th.

2. Anders Vainan and wife Margareta's child Jacob, born January 16th, baptized January 20th.

3. Johan Wilder and wife Margareta's child William, born January 30th, baptized February 7th.

4. John Cölen and wife Kerstin's child Jacob, born February 2nd, baptized February 21st.

5. Johannes Månsson and wife Ingeborg's child Johannes, born March 4th, baptized March 8th.

6. Peter Ja Quett and wife Marta's child Maria, born March 12th, baptized March 19th.

7. William Cock and wife Emy's child Hanna, 1 year, 2 months, 3 day old, baptized April.

8. Gustaf Gustafsson and wife Kerstin's child Susanna, born March 25th, baptized April 3rd.

9. Peter Classon and wife Walborg's child Johannes, born April 2nd, baptized April 10th.

10. Joseph Cantrel and wife Catharina's child Hanna, born March 20th, baptized April 15th.

11. Måns Gustafsson and wife Catharina's child Jesper, born May 22nd, baptized May 29th.

12. Timotheus Lylofsson Stedham and wife Elizabeth's child Cornelius, born May 22nd, baptized May 29th.

13. Olof Månsson and wife Annika's child Abraham, born June 7th, baptized June 12th.

14. Gustaf Pålsson Kilpos and wife Marta's child Peter, born June 26th, baptized July 13th.

15. The Quakers, Alphonsi Kirk and wife Abigail's son Jonathan, 21 years old, baptized in (*a*) St. James' Church, July 10th.

16. Stephen Cornelius and wife Wiliaminka's child Elizabeth, born July 6th, baptized July 10th.

17. Gustaf Cock and wife Annika's child Andreas, born May 23rd, baptized July 11th.

18. Johannes de Foss and wife Hanna's child Thomas, born May 12th, baptized August 21st.

19. Samuel Stedham and wife Annika's child Jacob, born September 19th, baptized September 25th.

20. Johan Bateman and wife Susanna's child William, some months old, baptized at St. James' Church, October 9th.

21. Hans Jürgen Smith and wife Maria's child Peter, born October 12th, baptized October 14th. Sponsors, Herr Provost Eric Biörk, absent in Sweden, in whose place answered the Provost and Pastor in Christina, Mr. Andreas Hessellius, Johan Gustafs' son and his wife Brita, Mrs. Maria Stalcop.

22. Anders Loinan and wife Brita's child Andreas, born November 2nd, baptized November 8th.

23. Mr. Christiern Brynberg and wife Maria's child Swen, born November 17th, baptized November 20th.

24. Peter Meyer and wife Sara's child Aron, born November 8th, baptized November 22nd.

25. Abenezer Empson and wife Susanna's child Maria, born September 13, baptized November 9th.

26. Lucas Stedham Jr. and wife Ingeborg's child Maria, born December 2nd, baptized December 4th.

27. Christopher Hollin and wife Elizabeth's child Eleanor 3 months old, baptized December 11th, at St. James church.

s8. Hendrick Garissons and wife Kustin's child Johanney born December 14th baptized December 18th.

29. William Maslander and wife Helekin's child Elizabeth, born December 19th, baptized December 26th.

The English Church at Stanton.

30. James Walter and wife Elizabeth's child Elizabeth, born December 22nd, baptized December 28th.

BURIALS 1720.

1. Johan Gioding buried January 2nd.
2. Christiern Brynberg's child Elizabeth buried January 29th.
3. Anders Vainan's child Jacob buried February 23rd.
4. Conrad Constantin's wife Kerstin buried March 12th.
5. Peter Ja Quett's child Maria buried in Peter Ja Quetts orchard March 31st.
6. Johannes de Foss' child Johannes buried April 19th.
7. Samuel Barker buried July 25th.
8. Anders Gustafson's daughter Brita 13½ years old, buried August 27th.

A. D. 1721, January 13.—Mr. Charles Springer delivered to the Provost Magister Hessellius the keys to the churchyard gates after he had finished all that was confided to him by the Herr Provost in Fahlun, Herr Eric Biork, to accomplish, viz: At his, the Herr Provost's expense, he should with suitable pales enclose the churchyard after the congregation had provided the needed materials so as all is done and fulfilled to the satisfaction of the church. And also Mr. Springer had promised to in no manner burden Mr. Biork with any expense for what he or his sons had contributed in labor thereto, having done it for the service of the church and a testimony of love for his former teacher and freely given it all, that only excepted which was necessary to pay the carpenters in money and for the purchase of nails and for smithwork.

June 24.—There was a general Parish meeting when after the consideration of certain points of resolutions of former meetings with regard to proper regulations in the congregation,

1st. Philip Van de Ver was chosen to the Church Council in Johan Tossawa's place, who was considered

by the Provost and the church to be unfit for that office, and so leaving to Philip Van de Ver the oversight of those who live over Brandywein that have not shown any signs of reformation from their drunkenness and unchristian lives, and their neglect of both church and sacraments.

2nd. Hindrick Stedham was dismissed from the office of Church-warden, and in his place Mr. Christian Brynberg was unanimously chosen.

3rd. Timotheus Lylofsson Stedham was persuaded to continue in the office of sexton for yet another year, with the understanding that each one pay him his two shillings a head, and that after notification at Easter, all shall pay in on the 4th day after Easter honestly.

4th. Talked about the Priest's salary, for which to this date there had been no greater income than about the value of 4 pounds.

The Churchwardens were directed to make a list of the young hearers and bring them to consider their teachers work, and afterwards give in a list of those who are behind in their dues, and earnestly demand the payment.

5th. Talked about the roof of the church, and John Wilder promised as he had opportunity before the setting in of winter to roof both the gable ends, if the Churchwardens can come to an agreement with him.

6th. Mr. Springer promised before the next court to have a deed made out for Jonas and Israel Stalcop, to lawfully make over the site of the church in court at New Castle. (*a.*)

7th. The Churchwardens were instructed as fast as possible to gather in the money for the payment to the St. Georges' Church in Jarsey, according to the resolution of last year's Parish meeting.

(*a.*) The ground given by John Stalcop for half of the church to stand upon, etc., had never been legally deeded to the church.

8th. It was promised that the east wall of the Priest's house should be clapboarded.

9th. The tenant's house on the Priest land must be finished with floor, chimney and cellar. Lucas Lucasson Stedham promised to make the cellar.

10th. Anders Gustafsson promised to saw plank for the kitchen cellar in the Priest's house, and whatever is needed more the congregation are willing to provide for.

August 24th. The Provost's petition in the name of the church was given in to His Excellency Governor Keith against Edward Robinsson, which stands below.

May it please your Excellency.

I have had the honor to pass some few minutes in conversation with Col. French upon the point in dispute betwixt the Swedish Church upon Christeen and Edward Robinsson. I am very sensible of your Excellency's great favor shown to me and the congregation committed to my care, in recommending an affair of so great importance to us to the consideration of a person who is so able and willing to help the distressed. And as I do hereby heartily thank your Excellency for the kind notice you were pleased to take of this affair when first laid before you, so I beg leave to address your Excellency for the continuance of your favors and countenance to my further endeavors to put this matter in its proper and true light. To this end may it please your Excellency to recommend to two or more of the Magistrates in New Castle County to enquire into the several pretensions of the parties concerned in the above affair, and so make them report to your Excellency as shall seem to them most consonant to truth and justice. And your petitioner will acknowledge so great a favor at the Heavenly Throne by praying constantly and earnestly for your health and happiness.

Your Excellency's
Most humble and most obedient servant,
ANDREW HESSELLIUS. (*a*)

October 1st.—There was received from the society for the propagation of the gospel in foreign parts from Lon-

a. This is in English and exactly transcribed.

don to the provost, Mr. Hessellius, of the following contents:

LONDON, May 8, 1721.

REVEREND SIR:

The society for the propagation of the Gospel in foreign parts have received a representation from the clergy in Pennsylvania, setting forth among other things the good services you have done by reading prayers and preaching in the several vacant churches in Pennsylvania, and have ordered me to acquaint you that in consideration of your past labors they have presented you with the sum of 10 pounds for which you may draw on their treasurer. They have also agreed to allow you ten pounds per annum in case you perform Divine service and preach in the English language in the several vacant churches in Pennsylvania, at least twenty times in one year, and transmit over hither, proper certificates thereof.

I am, Reverend Sir,
Your most humble servant,
DAVID HUMPHREYS,
Secretary.

RECORD OF BAPTISMS IN HOLY TRINITY AND ST. JAMES' (*b*) CHURCHES, 1721.

1st. Jeremy Ball and wife Mary's child, born Dec. 16th, 1720, bapt. Jan. 1, 1721. Sponsors, Thomas Ogle and Mary Ogle. (*c*)

2nd. William Howd and wife Margareta's child, Elizabeth, 2 years and 3 months old, bapt. Jan. 29.

3rd. Hans Petersson Smith and wife Elizabeth's child Maria, born Jan. 26, bapt. Jan. 29.

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b. St. James, the English Church at Whiteley's Creek or White Clay Creek.

c. This was an English family.

4. Mârten Gustafsson and wife Brita's child Jonas, born Jan. 25th, baptized Jan. 29th.

5. Mârten Mârtensson and wife Kerstin's child Jonas, born Jan. 31st, baptized Feb. 5th.

6. James Husten and wife Mary's child James, born Jan. 29th, baptized Feb. 12th.

7. Christopher Shligel and wife Mary's child Hanna, born Feb. 6th, baptized March 5th in St. James' Church.

8. Ambrosius Loodon and wife Brita's child Joseph, born Mar. 6th, baptized Mar. 12th.

9. Samuel Peterson and wife Kerstin's child Maria, born Mar. 7th, baptized March 12th.

10. Israel Petersson and wife Margaret a's child Anders, born March 15th, baptized March 19th.

11. Johan Stalcop and wife Maria's child Catharina, born March 28th, baptized March 29th.

12. Richard Enos and wife Susanna's child Susanna, born Feb. 15th, baptized April 9th.

13. Jacob Stille and wife Rebecca's child Elizabeth, born April 3d, baptized April 10th.

14. Jacob Pâlsson and wife Mary's child Peter, born April 8th, baptized April 10th.

15. Nicholas Bishop and wife Dorcas' child Susanna, born Jan. 24th, baptized May 7th.

16. Jonas Stalcop and wife Judith's child Carl, born May 8th, baptized May 14th.

17. Joseph Barker and wife Johanna's child Samuel, born March 30th, baptized May 21st.

18. James Robinson and wife Catharina's child Phœbe, born April 15th, baptized May 28th.

19. Morgan Morgan and wife Catharina's child David, born May 12th, baptized May 28th.

20. Cornelius Ja Quett and wife Maria's child Maria, born June 1st, baptized June 4th.

21. William Kellam and wife Mary's child Parthenia, born June 13th, baptized June 15th.

22. Johan Montgomery and wife Anna Hallowday's child Anna 1 year old, baptized June 18th.

23. William McDonald and wife Mary's child Joseph, born April 24th, baptized June 18th.

24. William Cleany and wife Maria's child Carolus, born Jan. 17th, baptized June 25th.

25. Hindrick Stedham and wife Catharina's child Hindrick, born June 20th, baptized June 25th.

26. Erasmus Stedham and wife Helen's child Maria, born June 23d, baptized June 25th.

27. Anders Stalcop and wife Barbro's child Philip, born June 20th, baptized June 25th.

28. Michael Meyer and wife Anna's child Margareta, born June 13th, baptized July 5th.

29. Israel Stalcop and wife Susanna's child Johan, born July 3d, baptized July 6th.

30. George Reed and wife Sara's child Sara, born June 11th, baptized Aug. 6th.

31. Johan Garretsson and wife Anna's child, Anna born August baptized August 13th.

32. Jacob Van de Ver and wife Maria's child Catharina, born August 20th, baptized August 27th.

33. Peter Palsson and wife Catharina's child Pawel, born August 14th, baptized August 27th.

34. Jesper Walraven and wife Maria's child Maria, born August 24th, baptized August 27th.

35. William Forehead and wife Maria's child Maria, born Aug. 13, baptized Sept. 24,

36. William Cann and wife Jane's child, William, 9 weeks old, baptised Oct. 1.

37. Thomas Perry and wife Mary's child Samuel, 4 weeks old, baptized in Great Arundal county, Maryland, Nov. 3.

38. Joathan Kirk and wife Mary's child James, 3 weeks old, baptized Nov. 19.

39. Joseph Champion and wife Mary's child, Mary, born Oct. 20, baptized Dec. 10.

40. Sanders McDuel and wife Jane's child Mary, 5 weeks old, baptized Dec. 31.

Burials 1721.

1. Ambrosius London's wife Brita, buried March 16.

2. Ambrosius London's child, Joseph, born March 6, buried March 29.
3. Johan Seed's wife Sara, buried April 4.
4. Jonas Stalcop's wife Judith, buried June 15.
5. Michel Meyer's child Margareta, buried July 11.
6. Erasmus Stedham's child, Maria, buried July 18.
7. Hindrick Garrisson's son, buried November 13.
8. Ambrosius London, buried December 4.
9. John Wilder's child, William, buried December 16.

A. D. 1722, January 31.—The Provost Magister Hessellius and and Mr. Springer, in accordance with His Excellency, the Governor's resolution upon the petition presented by the Provost met at Brandewein Ferry with Col. French, Robert Gordon and James Robinsson, Esqs., to examine into the case of the church against Edward Robinsson, with respect to the church land which the late Aaron Johansson had willed to the Christina Church, and after hearing the verbal statements from both sides, Col. French asked of the Provost and Edward Robinsson the documents and writings of both through which the claims of both sides could be clearly understood, with the assurance that he would return them whenever the parties should wish them, when he with the other commissioners had given in their opinion to the Governor and thereupon had received the final decision of the Governor. Whereupon the documents were left in the hands of the Colonel. But the just God only knows if anything more will be done in this case, or any writing or documents be returned.

March 5th.—Jonas Stedham brought to the Priest house 5 apple trees and 6 peach trees which he planted.

March 9.—Philip Van de Ver brought 4 apple trees to the Priest house which he planted.

March 13.—Paul Paulsson from Whitler's Creek brought 8 apple trees to the Priest house and planted them.

March 21.—Gustaf Gustafsson brought 6 apple trees and two cherry trees and planted them.

August 14. The church yard at Christina was surveyed and staked out with all that belongs to it outside of the paling, as well their own lane from the large church yard gates up to Jonas Stalcop's lane, which all was done with Jonas and Isaac Stalcop's assent and agreement, in accordance with the previous agreement betwixt the congregation and their late father Johan Stalcop, of Christina, which can be seen in the former church book. Some time afterward a deed was drawn for this property by the parties concerned, which in the New Castle court was legally sealed and confirmed.

November 11. The Highworthy Bishop Swedberg's, calling home, the Provost Magister Andreas Hessellius was received, which was dated Brunsbo, June 22, 1722, the contents being the following:

Honorworthy Herr Provost and Brother-in-Law.

In these days I have received Herr Brothe-in-law's letter which was a year old, and am glad to learn of your good health. I now write to his Royal Majesty that I call Herr Brother-in-law and Herr Abraham Lidenius home to Sweden, and I doubt not His Majesty is pleased therewith, and will gladden you with proper and suitable positions, so set out upon that call in the Lord's name on your journey home again. God will provide the subtituted offering, and so will come the Herr Provost's brother, Herr Samuel to a better situation.

And Magister Lidman being nearest to the most important congregation consequently must succeed to it. Whereof Herr Brother-in-law and teacher must manage as he judges best, so that the congregations shall all have suitable soul care, and no wrong done to any. If there

is need of another Priest inform me, and to which church he should come. How in other respects it goes here, and how it is with your dear relatives, I leave now to your brother the Herr Doctor to write to you, greet your church whom may God keep and bless contiually. I shall procure more books for you if I live. In God's faithful keeping I remain steadfastly,

Honorworthy Herr Provost and Brother-in-law's,

Ready fo Service Servant,

JESPERUS SWEDBERG.

December 12. The Pastor Herr Samuel Hessellius came to Christina with his household.

December 22. There was a meeting of the Church Council, when the Pastor Herr Samuel Hesselius declared his intention to take up his abode in Ratkong creek congregation, and at the same time laid before the congregation five points which should be fulfilled if they expected to have and keep any Priest from Sweden.

1st. Show their uprightness in paying their Priest's salary, which for many years stands unpaid, with a collection for honorable help on his journey home of Provost Magister Hessellius.

2. To repair the parsonage house before a Priest can go in and live there, especially the east wall clapboarding, improving the cellar, and flooring the kitchen.

3. They ought to know whether the congregation or Edward Robinsson own Bread and Cheese Island.

4. The congregation ought to be bound for a seasonable Priest's salary.

5. The congregation ought to be discharged from its debt over the river. (*a*)

(*a*) This is the true translation, but I suspect what he meant was that they ought to pay it and have it off.

MARRIAGES, 1722.

1. Joseph Pears to Mary Jackson, married Jan. 4th.
2. James Jordan to Hanna Brackin, married Feb. 2nd.
3. John Butcher to Sara Atkinson, married Aug. 15th.
4. Jonas Skagen to Annika Stedham, married Nov. 1st.
5. Van Holland to Sara Nicholas, married by Governor's license Nov. 13th.

RECORD OF BAPTISMS IN THE CHURCHES OF CHRISTINA, ST. JAMES (*b*) AND APPOQUINIMINK, (*b*) 1722.

1. George Jackson and wife Onar's daughter Mary, 20 years old, baptized January 1st.
2. Olof M nsson and wife Anna's child Susanna, born December 27th, 1721, baptized January 6th.
3. Henry Bradley and wife Catharina's child Elizabeth, 6 weeks old, baptized January 21st.
4. Johan Wilder and wife Margaretta's child William, born January 27th, baptized January 28th.
5 and 6. Anders Cock and wife Sara's children Adam and Catharina, born January 31st, baptized Febru ry 9th.
7. Johannes Månson and wife Ingeborg's child Maria, born February 10th, baptized February 14th.
8. Johan Culen and wife Kerstin's child Anders, born February 5th, baptized February 18th.
9. Johan Didrick Elrod and wife Sara's child George Arendt, one month old, baptized in Appoquinimink Church, *March 4th.
10. Johan Cassel and wife Christina's child Johan, born January 25th, baptized in Appoquinimink Church March 4th.
11. Edward Hawkins and wife Ester's child Mary, born February 28th, baptized in Appoquinimink, March 4th.
12. George Williams and wife Sara's child Richard, born January 14th, baptized in Appoquinimink, March 4th.
13. Peter Månsson and wife Margareta's child James from St. Georges, born January 3rd, baptized at Appoquinimink, March 4th.
14. William Monroe and wife Catharina's child Mary in St. Georges, 4½ years old, baptized at Bohemia at Isaac Von Bebber's, March 5th.

(*b*) English churches. *Often spelt Apoquinimy.

15. Christopher Stedham and wife Hanna's child Johan, 6 weeks old, baptized April 8th.

16. Joseph Cox and wife Mary's child Richard, 1½ years old, baptized April 28th.

17. Samuel Bushell and wife Alki's daughter Susanna, 14 years old, baptized at Bohemia, April 28th.

18. Samuel Bushell and wife Alki's daughter Catharina, 11¼ years old, baptized at Bohemia, April 28th.

19. Samuel Bushell and wife Alki's daughter Magdalena, 9½ years old, baptized at Bohemia, April 28th.

20. Samuel Bushell and wife Alki's daughter Ann, 6½ years old, baptized at Bohemia April 28th.

21. Samuel Bushel and wife Alki's child Mary, born June 14th, 1720, baptized April 28th at Bohemia.

22. Johan Miller and wife Dorothy's child Killian, born January 8th, 1720, baptized in Bohemia, April 28th.

23. Johan Miller and wife Dorothy's child Johan, born November 8th, baptized April 28th at Bohemia.

24. Johan Sterling and wife Mary's child Rachel, 3½ years old, baptized September 28th at Bohemia,

25. Henry Skail and wife Alki's child Peter, 3½ years old, baptized April 28th at Bohemia.

26. Richard McCary and wife Esther's daughter Jane, 13 years and 4 months old, baptized April 29th at Bohemia.

27, Johan Smith and wife Charity's child Mary, 13 months old, baptized at Appoquinimink, April 29th.

28. Henry Skail and wife Alki's child Catharina, 16 months old, baptized May 27th at Bohemia.

29. Johan Bonny and wife Mary's child Johan, 1½ years old, baptized at Appoquinimink, May 27th.

30. Marten Sher andwife Maria's child Kerstin, born October 21st, 1721, baptized May 27th at Appoquinimink.

31. Johan Stout and wife Anna's child Cornelius, born December 2nd, 1721, baptized May 28th.

32. Augustin Cock and wife Anna's child Johan, born May 26th, baptized May 28th.

33. Lucas Stedham and wife Ingeborg's child Susanna, born January 28th, baptized July 1st.

34. Peter Classon and wife Walborg's child Anna, born June 24th, baptized July 1st.

35. David Enoch and wife Helena's child Andreas, 6 months old, baptized July 1st.

30. Michal Meyer and wife Anna's child Maria, born July 3rd, baptized July 5th.

37. Johan Hayward and wife Margaretta Howel's child Rachel, born April 5, 1721 baptized July 5, 1722.

38. Mr. Dyer's child Henry, baptized at Appoquinimink, July 8th.

39. Johan Orchard and wife Margaretta's child Mary 3 months old, baptized at Appoquinimink, July 8th.

40. James Haley and wife Eleonora's child Mary, 3 months old, baptized at Appoquinimink, July 8th.

41. Marten Scottman and wife Elizabeth's child Mary, 6 months old, baptized July 8th.

42. Joseph Almond and wife Margaretta's son Solomon, 28 years old, baptized at Christina July 15th.

43. Henry Stedham and wife Catharina's child Margaretta, born July 29th, baptized August 5th.

44. Måns Gustafson and wife Catharina's child Sara, born August 3rd, baptized August 5th.

45. Aben Ezer Empson and wife Susanna's child Rebecca, born September 14th, baptized September 23rd.

46. Samuel Petersson and wife Kerstin's child Elizabeth, born September 23rd, baptized Semptember 30th.

47. Christian Brynberg and wife Maria's child Peter, born September 26th, baptized September 30th.

48. Sara Meyer's illegitimate child Jonathan, born October 2nd, baptized October 11th.

49. Philip Van de Ver and wife Elizabeth's child Tobias, born October 6th, baptized October 14th.

50. Robin Bird and wife Mary's child Rebecca, born October 13th, baptized October 21st.

51. Christopher Springer and wife Catharina's child Carolus born October 25th, baptized October 28th.

52. Thomas Harper and wife Elizabeth's child James born December 1st, baptized December 2nd in Bohemia.

53. Jacôb Stille and wife Rebecca's child Margaretta, born December 18th, baptized December 23rd.

54. Johan Seed and wife Brita's child Joseph, born Decembe, 22nd, baptized December 25th.

55. Job Hill and wife Mary's child Mary, born October 8th, baptized December 30th at Appoquinimink.

56. Adam Leicestner and wife Magdalena's child Johannes, born November 29th, baptized December 31st, at Bohemia.

57. Donald Kirkpatrick, and strumpet Mary Tib's illegitimate child Adam, 2 weeks old, baptized December 31st, at Bohemia.

58. Hans George Smith and wife Mary's child Johan, born December 28th, baptized December 30th.

BURIALS, 1722.

1. Henry Garrisson, Jr., buried January 10th.
2. Widow Brita Dunken, buried January 13th.
3. Sara Reinhold, buried January 24th.
4. Henry Garrisson Jr's. son Hindrick, buried February 4th.
5. Johan Tossawa, buried March 25th.
6. Johan Garrisson, buried April 6th.
7. Olof Tossawa, buried April 25th.
8. Hindric Hindricsson's daughter Anna, buried May 9th.
9. Mr. Aben Ezer Empsson's child Rebecca, buried September 25th.

A. D 1723. In March the Priest house was repaired with clapboarding and a new porch made and the cellar floored. Those who have labored thereon are Mr. Springer, Erasmus Stedham, Lucas Stedham, Anders Gustafsson, Mans Gustafsson, Marten Gustafsson, Johan Gustaf, Timotheus Lylofsson Stedham, Mr. Jesper Walraven, Brewer Seneke, Johan Mârtensson, Gustafs- Gustafsson, Anders Cock, Johan Von Culén, Cornelius Ja Quett, and at the same time Mr. Christiern Brynberg

gave for the Priest land thirty apple trees which he planted himself in the orchard.

April 2nd. A general Parish meeting was held on the Old Land in the presence of all the Swedish Priests, namely: Provost Magister Andreas Hessellius, pastor in Jarsey Herr Abraham Lidenius pastor at Wicacoe, Magister Jonas Lidman and the pastor Samuel Hesselius. When after some consideration of due and necessary care for the soul cleansing of the congregation with the better support of the pastor in the future, all the members of the church bound themselves to remain faithfully together with yearly paying to their lawful pastor so much salary as their writing hereto attached stipulates for.

July 28. Erasmus Stedham was elected Churchwarden instead of Gustaf Gustafsson.

In August, Provost Hesselius and Herr Abraham Lidenius received a letter of testimony and recommendation from the English Priests which reads as follows:

We the clergy of the Province of Pennsylvania having had long experience of the great worth and unquestionable abilities of the Rev. Mr. Andreas Hessellius and the Rev. Mr. Abraham Lidenius who are now to return from these American parts into their native land, do beg leave to add to our prayers to Almighty God for their safe arrival, this publick mark and testimony of our most sincere regard and fraternal affection for them. We and our above mentioned Reverend brethren have had the pleasure and satisfaction to live together in great harmony from the first of our acquaintance to this very moment, and we may truly say the more we knew them the fonder we grew of their society. They were always welcome to our pulpits as we were to theirs. Indeed, so

great was our mutual agreement in doctrine and worship, and so constant were they in attending our conventions, that there was no visible discirmination between us, but what proceeded from the different languages wherein, they and we were bound to officiate.

They often preached in English with general applause and good success, yet without the least diminution of their care and vigilance over their own particular flocks whose circumstances, being generally speaking, but narrow, our brethren had an opportunity given them of being instructed how to be abased and suffer need

The Honorable Society for propagating the Gospel afforded them of late some assistance in consideration of their care for the vacant churches among us, and the favors showed them upon that occasion is a fair preludial, we hope of their attaining also in process of time to know how to abound. We should be heartily sorry to part with so agreeable and useful fellow laborers if we were not sure that the design of calling them home is to move them into a higher sphere for the greater good of the church. We believe them to be fully qualified for the promotion, as persons no way inferior, with submission we speak it to any of their predecessors, missionaries from Swedland, in anything that is truly praiseworthy, either in wisdom, zeal, piety or diligence, such we know their endowments to be and from this our knowledge doe heartily recommend our venerable brethren.

First, to the Divine favor and protection and then to the good will and esteem of all that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity.

Given under our hands at New Castle, the 23d day of April, 1723.

GEO. ROSS, at New Castle,
in Pensilvania.
JOHN HUMPHREYS, Minister,
of Chester, Pensilvania.
WM. BECKET, Missionary at
Lewes, in Pensilvania.

The 14th Sunday after Trinity, which was September 15th, Pastor Herr Provost Magister Andreas Hesselius preached for the last time here in Christina Church, when he took a quite loving and affecting leave of his church and left the congregation to Pastor Herr Samuel Hesselius with the sincere and earnest wish that God, from whom come all grace and gifts, will give him the grace of the Spirit to fill the important office and trust in this church. After the close of Divine service there was read to the congregation and then subscribed by the elders, a letter which the pastor at Wicacoe, Herr Magister Jonas Lidman had written in the name of the congregation in Christina, to be sent over to the Highworthy Herr Bishop Jesper Swedberg, by the Herr Provost Magister Audreas Hesselius, and read as follows:

MOST HIGHWORTHY DOCTOR AND BISHOP AND VERY GRACIOUS FATHER:

Highworthy Father and Bishop, we humbly present our thankfulness to you who have always taken upon yourself such fatherly care for our spiritual soul cleansing, and not only sent us faithful and praiseworthy teachers who have left no pains unspared to promote the welfare of our souls, but also through God's grace induced the high authority in Sweden to send over to us many Godly and excellent books. May God who is

the rewarder of all good deeds, be pleased to kindly reward you for these services. And as now through God's Divine Providence, through the Highworthy Father and Bishop's instrumentality our faithful soulcarer, the Provost, the honorworthy and highly learned Herr Magister Andreas Hesselius has been called home to minister to another church at home in the Fatherland, and so taken leave of us, not without our heart's great sorrow and regret, we live in humble confidence that it shall please the Highworthy Father and Bishop to fatherly look out for his good, because God the Most High has put the Most Highworthy Father and Bishop in such a position, that the Most Highworthy Father and Bishop can promote his welfare and prosperity. The Herr Provost Hesselius has been to us a faithful shepherd, who with care sought and fed his sheep, and never left anything back which could help to win a soul. He has neglected nothing that could be for our profit, but held on in season and out of season, corrected, constrained and admonished with mildness and discretion. And that such efforts might have the more effect he let his light shine before us by a righteous, honorable Christly walk—yea, as a lighted candle that burns of itself, consumes itself, but shines for the benefit of others, so are we convinced in our consciences that he so conducted himself with us. In conclusion we most meekly beg that it may please the most highworthy Herr Father and Bishop in accordance with his customary favor and watchfulness, to have over this church a fatherly eye, and still in the future furnish us with faithful teachers for our souls guidance.

We shall so long as we live beseech God with faithful prayers and sighs for the Most Highworthy Herr Father

and Bishop's constant health and soundness of body, and to our dying hour remain

The Most Highworthy Herr Father and Bishop's Most Humble Servants.

Church Council of Christian Congregation,

Carl Christopher Springer,	Conrad Constantin,
Mâus Gustaf,	Jacob Van de Ver,
John Culen,	Philip Van de Ver,
Jonas Walraven,	Lucas Stedham.

MARRIAGES, 1783.

1. Gustaf Pâlsson and Sara Thomas, married January 23.
2. Anders Pâlsson and Elizabeth Berry, married February 21.
3. Richard Garrisson and Jane Carter, Government License, married February â4.
4. Thomas Scott and Catharina Justis, married July 30.
5. Peter Cordreat and Elizabeth Owin, in Appoquinimink with license, married August 4.
6. Anders Hindricksson and Maria Hindricksson, married November 6.
7. Lylof Stedham and Anna Garrisson, married Nov. 12.
8. Thomas West and Kerstin Tossawa, married November 20.
9. William Audersson and Rachael Mârten in New Castle, married November 21.
10. Michael Hamelin and Margareta Stannings, married November 26.
11. Johan Parker and Maria Rees at New Castle, married November 27.
12. Caleb Hall and Helena Hooker, married November 29.

BURIALS 1723.

1. Adam Stedham, buried January 9th.
2. Peter Mânsson in St. Georges, buried January 29th.
3. Israel Petersson's child Hance, buried March 14th.
4. Peter Mânsson in Bokton, buried July 14th.
5. Peter Mânsson in Bokton, son Bengt, buried July 18th.
6. Johannes Mânsson's son Petrus, buried August 17th.
7. Israel Petersson's child Susanna, buried September 13th.
8. Jesper Walraven's wife Maria, buried Nov. 12.

9. James Seneke's widow Darkish, buried November 13.

10. Margareta Stalcop's illegitemate child Joseph, buried November 21st.

BAPTISMS IN CHRISTINA AND APPOQUINIMINK.

1. The Provost Magister Andreas Hessellius and wife Sara's child Maria, born January 1st, baptized January 6th.

2. Garret Garrisson and wife Esther's child Elizabeth, ½ year old, baptized January 13th.

3. George Hugel's negress Alki's daughter Anna, a mulatto, 20 years old, baptized February 3d.

4. Peter Pålsson and wife Catharina's child Andreas, born January 21st, baptized February 3d.

5. Mårten Mårtensson and wife Kerstin's child Andreas, born March 11th, baptized March 15th.

6. William Cock and wife Emy's child Margareta, born January 20th, 1722, baptized March 14th, 1723.

7. Johan Clayton and wife Rosamunda's child Joseph, in Appoquimink, 2 months old, baptized March 24th.

8. Johan Sap and wife Martha's child Johan, in Apoquinimink 4 months old, baptized March 24th.

9. The pastor Herr Samuel Hessellius and wife Brita's child Anna Maria, born April 8th, baptized April 12th.

10. Israel Stalcop and wife Susanna's child Maria, born April 20th, baptized April 28th.

11. Gustaf Gustafsson and wife Kerstin's child Christina, born May 8th, baptized May 12th.

12. Hans Smith and wife Elizabeth's child Catharina, born May 28th, baptized June 2d.

13. Peter Månsson and wife Annika's child Maria, born June 3d, baptized June 5th.

14. Jonas Skagen and Elizabeth Kent's illegitimate child William about 2 years old, baptized June 10th.

15. Jonathan Kirk and wife Mary's child Elizabeth, born January 11th, baptized January 26th.

16. Edward Jones and wife Mary's child Elizabeth, in Appoquinimink, born May 8th, baptized June 23rd.

17. Timotheus Stedham and wife Elizabeth's child Lylof, born July 2nd, baptized July 7th.

18. Mârten Gustafsson and wife Brita's child Andreas, born July 9th, baptized July 12th.

19. Israel Petersson and wife Margareta's child Susanna, born July 10th, baptized July 14th.

20. Peter Holsten and wife Sara's child Maria, 2 months old, baptized July 21st at Appoquinimink.

21. William Hacket and wife Sara's daughter Prudence, born in Sussex County, 16 years old, baptized July 27th, at Appoquinimink.

22. Carl Springer, Jr., and wife Margareta's child Maria, born July 25th, baptized July 28th.

23. Benjamin Allmond and wife Rachel's child Susanna, 5½ years old, baptized at Appoquinimink, August 4th.

24. Gabriel Clemens and wife Sara's child Joseph, in Elk River, born April 12th, baptized August 11th.

25. Johan Stalcop and wife Maria's child Ericus, born August 15th baptized August 18th. Sponsors, The Provost in Fahlun, Herr Eric Biörk, in whose place stood the Provost Magister Andreas Hessellius.

26 and 27. Samuel Griffin and wife Margareta's sons at Dock Creek, William 18 years old, James 15 years old, baptized at Appoquinimink Church, September 1st.

28. George Von Culen and wife Margareta's child Helena, born September 7th, baptized September 13th.

29. Anders Loinan and wife Annika's child Johan, born September 11th, baptized September 15th.

30. Jonas Skaggin and wife Annika's child Johan, born September 11th, baptized September 15th.

31. Olle Pâlsson and wife Elizabeth's child Jacob, born September 10th, baptized September 22nd.

32. William Clenny and wife Maria's child Jane, born September 23rd, baptized September 29th.

34. Jesper Walraven and wife Maria's child Jesper, born October 17th, baptized October 20th.

35. Johan Culen and wife Kerstin's child Christina, born October 20th, baptized October 27th.

36. Israel Robbesson and wife Elizabeth's child Anna, born November 20th, baptized November 27th.

37. Andreas Stalcop, Sr. and wife Anna Barbrie's child Maria Christina, born November 29th, baptized December 1st.

38. Johan Wilder and wife Margareta's child Richard, born December 12th, baptized December 15th.

39. Anders Pâlsson and wife Elizabeth's child Tobias, born December 9th, baptized December 15th.

1723, Oct. 8.—A letter from the Highworthy Bishop to the Swedish Priests in Pennsylvania, was received and read as follows:

Honorworthy Priest-men in the Swedish Churches in America:

I have not for a year and a day received any letters from you, nor have I yet had any conversation with my son Jesper Swedberg since his return home, because of my attendance at the present session of the Diet in Stockholm. I hope that all is going on well. I wrote the last year that one of you at least should in the Lord's name return home, and there is now a good opportunity for him to get a good appointment. Is he minded to come home or is he on his journey? if so, he may have stopped in London, England, to serve the Swedish congregation there, while Magister Norberg journeys home to bury his deceased father in Borâhs. Let me know your present state and also the condition of the churches. I formerly requested the Herr Provost Magister Andreas Hessellius that he would after a time, describe America with the inhabitants, both heathen and christians, their religious worship, politics, housekeeping, etc., etc. Such a history would be an interesting and desirable book.

I give you here a part of what his Royal Majesty has been pleased to resolve.

His Royal Majesty's resolution upon Bishop Dr. Swed-

berg's respectful memorial concerning the following business and errands, given at Stockholm, April 1st, 1721.

No. 3. As regards the requested Magister title for the Provost in Fahlun, Eric Biork and the Provost in Hedemora, Anders Sandall, and that they may be excused from the presiding in the Priest meeting.

So will his Royal Majesty for the sake of the causes alleged in the memorial graciously assent thereto, and in like manner bestow the title of Magister on the preachers Abraham Lidenins and Samuel Hessellius, who now for a time have charge of the Sweedish churches in America.

His Royal Majesty, when a proper opportunity shall occur later for preferment here at home in the kingdom will graciously remember them.

No. 5. The eight pieces of Jubilee Medals which are asked for, for two here and four in America, preaching with also two for the two Swedish schoolmasters, His Royal Majesty has left to the disposition of the Bishop.

FREDRICK.

(L. S.)

This must be written down in your church book as you have been reminded of heretofore. I cannot think of anything more in my hurry, except that at the first opportunity I will send you some pslam and other books. I am also at work to get more bibles for you, God strengthen you and the churches in all good, and deliver from all evil, so wishes with all his heart.

Stockholm, May 14, 1723,

P. S.—The congregation is earnestly greeted.

Your Honorworthiness,
Ready for service
and dutiful servant.
JESPERUS SWEDBERG.

October 1723. Some members of the congregation were at the parsonage and took an affectionate farewell of the Provost Hesselius their faithful teacher, and heartily wished him and his family a safe and prosperous journey home, which was this day undertaken. The Provost ordered on his departure that the cook iron which he had left at the parsonage should remain as an inventarium.

October 20th.—John Hanson Stellman has recently been at Mr. Carl Springer's and claimed that Christina congregation owed him 220 pounds, which is a great untruth. The same debt was long ago paid in the time of Herr Eric Biork's ministry which his church book planly shows. Therefore Mr. Springer with three of the Church Council, viz; Jonas Walraven, Jacob Van de Ver and Philip Van de Ver, went and examined all the receipts given by John Hanson Stellman, as many as could be found, which receipts had heretofore been in the care of Mr. Springer, and it was found that the debt had been justly and entirely paid, and that he has no claim on the congregation, but is endeavoring to do them a great wrong, Mr. Springer then gave all the receipts into the hands of the pastor Samuel Hesselius to be taken care of.

October 22nd.—Some members of the congregation came to the parsonage at the request of Mr. Hesselius, and built a hen and goose house close to the garden, and repainted the roof of the barn and made sundry other slight repairs on the property, and also cut wood for the household.

December 25th.—The Church Council and Churchwardens were requested to meet after the close of Divine service at the parsonage, and it was resolved,

1st. That the Churchwardens should collect what was unpaid on the pews, and that all those who would not pay for their pew room before the 15th of March, should forfeit them entirely.

2nd. It was resolved that the Church land off in the woods should be sold at the first opportunity and not longer ly useless to the church: The Council deciding that it would be better to sell the land, and put out the money at interest, or buy a negro for service.

3rd. That none should remain in the Council over one year, and that the Churchwardens should not be so worn out and dilatory with the duties of their office, but be more efficient and diligent in their wardenship.

1724.

A. D. 1724, January 11th.—Mr. Jonas Walraven presented an ewe as an inventarium for the priest land.

January 15th.—The Church Council met, and it was resolved that the church land up in the woods should be sold for 40 £, and Lucas Stedham, Jr., said that he would buy it at that price, and he was given fourteen days time to make up his mind.

Feb. 10. Because Lucas Stedham was unstable and would not stand to his bargain, the church land was sold to Seeds for 40£, payment to be made February 10th, 1725.

April 6th. Timotheus Lylofsson Stedham resigned as sexton in favor of Anders Loinan, who was chosen.

July 15th. Israel Petersson Sen., presented as a free gift to the church a pair of brass cadlesticks.

July 27th. Timotheus Lylofsson Stedham was chosen Churchwarden in the place of Erasmus Stedham, and Peter Classon in place of Christiern Brynberg.

October 26th. William Cleany gave 500 shingles for covering the roof of the barn at the parsonage, and Churchwardens Timotheus Stedham and Peter Classon brought them to the place.

November 4th. A negress named Peggy was bought for the parsonage with the money received for the priest land which was sold, and as the cost of her was 45£ and there was but 40£ from the sale of the land, pastor Hessellius added 5£ of his own money.

As the pastor finds it very necessary and important that a horse and cow stable should be built at the parsonage, and the old barn newly covered with shingles, he requested the members of the congregation to begin the work at once, which they considering just, fixed on a convenient time to do it, and the work was finished the 5th of December, The pastor at his own expense furnished food and drink for the laborers and gave besides twelve days work.

The following persons after a short time paid for their pew room : Peter Classon for his wife's pew room paid 2£, Jonas Stedham for his wife's 2£, Philip Van de Ver paid for his pew room by work on the church roof, which amounted to 1£, 10 shillings, Israel Petersson pewroom for himself and wife 5£, Garret Garrisson for his pew room 1£ 10 shil. N. B.—Timotheus Lylofsson Stedham's wife sits in the last pew on the main aisle, which pew has been paid for by Timotheus Stedham's father, as can be proved by witnesses.

BAPTISMS 1724.

1. Olle Månsson and wife Annika's child Cartharina, born January 2, baptized January 5.

2. Cornelius La Quett and wife Maria's child Johannes, born December 26 1723, baptized January 12.

3. Elizabeth Ibard's illegitimate child Emmy, mulatto girl born November 12, 1723 baptized January 19.

4. Hendrick Stedham and wife Catharina's child Maria, born January 21, baptized January 23.

5. Lucas Stedham Jr. and wife Ingeborg's child Jonas, born February 24, baptized March 1.

6. Jan Seeds and wife Brita's child Maria, born February 25, baptized March 1.

7. Robin Bird and wife Maria's child Susanna, born March 2, baptized March 8.

8. William Allen and wife Margaret's child Johan, born February 23, baptized March 15.

9. Johan Woodland and Gen Garden's illegitimate child Johan, born April 25, 1723, baptized March 15.

10. Jonas Stalcop and wife Helena's child Elizabeth, 6 weeks old, baptized March 29.

11. Lylof Stedham and wife Anna's child, born March 23, baptized March 29.

12. William Verdeman and wife Margareta's child Maria, born Apr. 1, baptized March 5.

13. George Anderson and wife Margareta's child (from Elk-river) Catharina, 10 weeks old, baptized Aprll 5.

14. Jacob Heine and wife Kerstin's child, Jacob born April 20, baptized April 26.

15. Peter La Quett and wife Marta's child Marta, born January 16, baptized May 10.

16. Elizabeth Calliert's illegitimate child Rebecca (a mulato) born November 13, 1723, baptized May 5.

17. Måns Gustafsson and wife Catharina's child Rebecca, born May 17, baptized May 24.

18. Thomas Scott and wife Catharina's child Maria, born May 23, baptized May 25.

19. Johannas Månsson and wife Ingeborg's child Catharina born June 3, baptized June 7.

20. Johan Dawson and Sara's child, (from St. Georges), 7 months old, baptized June 21.

21. Michael Mayer and wife Annika's child Susanna, born July 10, baptized July 12.

22. Samuel Petersson and wife Kerstin's child Anna, born August 1, baptized August 16.

23. Christiern Brynberg and wife Maria's child Susanna, born August 15, baptized August 23.

24. Jonas Jespersson Walraven and wife Catharina's child Catharina, born August 22, baptized August 23.

26. Ebenezer Empsson and wife Susannas's child Susanna, several weeks old, baptized September 2.

26. Jacob Van de Ver and wife Maria's child Elizabeth, born September 10, baptized September 20.

27. Cornelius Walraven and wife Walborg's child Elizabeth (of St. George's) half year old, necessary baptism.*

28. Jean Toiles and wife Anna's child Elizabeth, born August 31st, baptized October 7th.

29. Christopher Stedham and wife Johanna's child Margareta, born September 7th, baptized October 11th.

30. Anders Hindricksson and wife Maria's child Susanna, born October 20th, baptized October 25th.

31. Jean Griffis and wife Margareta's child Sara, born November 3d, baptized November 8th.

32. Anders Cock and wife Sara's children Carolus and Abigail, born November 8th, baptized November 11th.

33. Peter Classon and wife Walborg's child Maria, born November 12th, baptized November 15th.

34. Christopher Springer and wife Catharina's child Johan, born December, baptized December 20th.

RECORD OF BURIALS, 1724.

1. Johan Wilder's child Richard, buried January 2d.

2. Anders Stalcop,Sen.'s child Maria Christina,buried January 6th.

3. Olle Pâlsson's child Jacob, buried January 11th.

4. Johan Gioding's widow Annika, buried March 7th.

5. Jean Benjaminsson Pâlsson, buried March 7th.

6. Johanny Mâusson's child Maria, buried March 25th.

7. Lucas Stedham, Jr.'s child Maria, buried April 28th.

8. Erasmus Stedham's wife Helena, buried May 4th.

9. Jonas Stalcop's child Carl, buried May 21st.

*Previously baptized by some lay person for fear of death.

10. The miller, Foster Pew, buried June 22d.
11. Widow Brita Gustafsson, buried August 22d.
12. Jonas Walraven, Sr., buried August 31st.

MARRIAGES, 1724.

1. Gustaf Pâulsson and Margaret Simpson, married March 8th.
2. William White and Miss Maria Ericsson, married April 30th.
3. Mâns Andersson and Miss Margaret Morrisson, married May 28th.
4. Timotheus Bengtsson Stedham and Miss Catharina Morse, married June 23d.
5. Jesper Walraven and widow Anna Garritsson, married August 6th.
6. David White and Miss Gierkie Cornelius, married September 17th.
7. William Evans and Anna Philips, married October 31st.
8. Anton Jaquett and Miss Catharina Gioding, married November 19th.
9. Garret Garretsson and Miss Elizabeth Ericsson, married December 3d.
10. Peter Petersson Canpany and Miss Magdalena Stedham, married December 3d.
11. Samuel Fowdrey and Anna Van de Ver, married December 8th.
12. Morgan Jones and Elinor Evans, married December 17th.
13. Lewis German and Margareta Jury, married December 31st.

1725.—January 1st. A general parish meeting was held, when a large number of the congregation bound themselves to pay the sexton the amount of their subscription for his salary, which writing the sexton has in his possession.

January 2nd. Jonas Stalcop was elected to the Church Council in the place of Jonas Walraven, deceased.

January 3rd. Mr. Springer and Johan Von Culen promised to make over the church land to Johan Seed

at the next court in February, when Johan Seed is to pay £40 for the land, which money has to be paid for the negress Peggy.

January 30th. Jonas Stalcop was dismissed from the Church Council because he was deemed unfit for that office.

February 22nd. Johan Seed paid £40 for the land which he bought, which money Peter Classon immediately sent to Mr. Newton in New Castle, to be paid for the negress Pegge.

February 23rd. In these days a false rumor has been in circulation in Christina congregation among several of the members, about one of the members of the congregation and Church Council, Mr. Charles Springer, to the effect that he is indebted to the congregation eighty bushels of wheat, and that he had given a written obligation for the wheat to be paid to the congregation for its use, which obligation Mr. Carl Springer had taken from a closet in Mr. Biork's house without permission, while Mr. Biork was absent and thus wronged the congregation. Pastor Hessellius and some of the Council examined into the matter, and found it altogether different, viz: Aron Johansson in his lifetime rented his ground to Andrew Gustafsson, and they could not agree very well, and the last year which Aron Johansson lived, Mr. Carl Springer bought Andrew Gustafsson's lease and was to turn over to Aron the share that belonged to him of the crop standing on the ground. But Aron Johansson died before the crop was harvested, and Mr. Springer gave to the widow her part when he threshed the grain, but the grain fell short so that Mr. Springer was short on his part three or four bushels.

From these facts the Pastor Hessellius and the members of the Church Council find that the congregation have not the least claim for any of the aforesaid grain, and consequently there was no written agreement for any grain belonging to the church and the whole rumor is groundless. At the request of Mr. Springer the pastor has written this down in the church book.

Because some wrong minded members of the congregation claimed that the pastor ought not to be paid anything for burials, Pastor Hessellius consulted the whole Church Council about the matter, it having been for a long time customary and is yet throughout Christendom to receive remuneration for services on such occasions, and he enquired whether he should receive his dues as formerly or if they should be discontinued. The Council were decided in their answer that the same charges should be continued as have heretofore been paid, viz.: 9 shillings for an adult, and four shillings 6 pence for a child, and that nobody may flatter himself that the Priest shall be obliged to bury without payment or do for such a stubborn member such a service. Peter Classon resigned as Church-warden on mid-summer day, and Walraven Walraven was elected in his place and Hans Smith in place of Timotheus Stedham.

A. D. 1725, March 21, which was Palm Sunday.—The Pastor Herr Abraham Lidenius preached his valedictory sermon in Holy Trinity Church.

May 16th.—A letter arrived here composed by the pastor at Wicacoe, Magister Jonas Lidman, in the name of all the Swedish churches in Pennsylvania and Jarsey, as an expression of thanks to the King of Sweden, and to be sent over to him by the pastor Magister Abraham Lidenius, and reads as follows:

MOST MIGHTY ALL GRACIOUS KING:

The High Royal care which His Royal Majesty from the very beginning of his highly praised reign has so graciously bestowed upon us here in America far distant from Sweden, makes us obligated to tender to His Royal Majesty our most humble thanks and gratitude and we shall daily and momently with our faithful prayers and sighs plead with God Most High that He shall be pleased such royal favor and graciousness richly to reward.

And as now in accordance with the gracious pleasure of His Royal Majesty, our faithful teacher the pastor in Raccoon and Penn's Neck Churches Magister Abraham Lidenius journeys home to Sweden to serve some church at home in the Fatherland, we can now humbly testify before his Royal Majesty with good conscience that he has been for us during the whole time of his residence here a most excellent and praiseworthy preacher, who with diligence has cared for the souls of his hearers, and has by his teaching and living gained very great love and respect, not only with the Swedes, but also with the English Churches, and likewise, with our adversaries a good name. We therefore now humbly petition His Royal Majesty that it may please his Royal Majesty to receive Pastor Magister Lidenius with his High Royal favor and promote his best good.

We have learned with humble gratitude that His Royal Majesty some time past appointed a suitable Priestman who shall come over to us to succeed Magister Lidenins. May God Most High so direct that we soon may have the happiness of welcoming him safely here.

To conclude, we all from our innermost hearts desire

your Royal Majesty's welfare and happy reign, remaining with most humble reverence to our dying hour.

Your Royal Majesty,
Most humble Servants
and faithful Intercessors.

May 18th 1725.

A letter which Mr. Carl Springer had drawn up in behalf of the church to be sent to Bishop Swedberg by Magister Abraham Lidenius was subscribed by the elders of the church and reads as follows:

Highworthy Herr Dr. and Bishop,
Most Gracious Father in Christ.

Inasmuch as the Highworthy and praiseworthy teacher of God's word, Magister Abraham Lidenius is now with his beloved family ready to go home to his dear Fatherland, and we have now such a good opportunity, we cannot omit with these few lines to show our humble and due thankfulness to the Highworthy Father who to us so far distant has shown so much goodness. Our Christian brethren on the south side of the river, the churches at Raccoon Creek and Penn's Neck now lose their faithful teacher Magister Abraham Lidenius who has been a most excellent preacher, and his teaching and life have been in complete harmony. He has been unsparing in diligence, pains, labor and care both early and late to win souls so that the congregations have markedly improved in their Christianity. His departure and absence is cause of heartfelt sorrow to all right minded christians in all this neighborhood and section of country. We understand that another preacher is on his way here to take the place of Magister Lidenius. Finally, we unanimously offer our grateful thanks for the many excellent books which the Highworthy Father has

favored us with, and therewith for all the care, pains and trouble of which the Highworthy Father has been so unsparing for us, and still continues to work for us with His Royal Majesty and by many other good offices. But with what can we compensate the Highworthy Father for all this? But our sacred duty shall be constantly to have our Highworthy Father in honored remembrance and plead with the Gracious God that God will with his spirit's, grace, strengthen and guide the Highworthy Father in his high and important office, and at his great age continue his usual strength, especially that we so far distant for many years to come may not be deprived of his paternal care along with that of his Royal Majesty's and many other parties concerned for our soul's well-fare, on which our temporal and eternal happiness depends, so we therefore again recommend ourselves and ours, and the Highworthy Herr Magister Lidenius with his dear family to the Highworthy Father's so fatherly care, and favor, and remain to our utmost ability

Highworthy Father,
Our Most Gracious and strong Benefactor,
Your humble servants and sincere Intercessors.

Dated at Christina on the Delaware River
in America, May 18th, A. D. 1725.

Conrad Constantin,
Måns Gustafsson,
Johan Von Culen,
Carl Christopher Springer,
Jacob Van de Ver,
Philip Van de Ver,
Lucas Stedham.

BAPTISMS, 1725.

1. Philip Van de Ver and wife Elizabeth's child Elizabeth, born January 2nd, baptized January 3rd.

2. The negress Peggy's child Peter, (in the parsonage) born January 2nd, baptized January 3rd.

3. Israel Petersson and wife Margarita's child Regina, born January 25th, baptized January 17th.

4. William White and wife Maria's child Elizabeth, born January 31st, baptized February 3rd.

5. Benjamin Good and wife Ingrid's child Eschiel, born December 28th, baptized February 4th.

6. Peter Pâlsson and wife Catharina's child Maria, born February 3rd, baptized February 14th.

7. Jacob Stille and wife Rebecca's child Rebecca, born February 4th, baptized February 14th.

8. Thomas Bird and wife Hanna's child Johan, born May 10th, 1723, baptized February 21.

9. Mâns Smith and wife Maria's child Johan, born May 10th, 1723, baptized February 21st.

10. Jonas Shagan and wife Annika's child Elizabeth, born March 16th, baptized March 28th.

11. Garrit Pâlsson Garretsson and wife Ester's child Ester, born December 25th, 1724, baptized March 28th.

12. Anton Jaquet and wife Catharina's child Johan, born March 17th, baptized April 22nd.

13. James Owins and wife Dorothea's child Elizabeth, 3 months old, baptized May 23rd.

14. Brewer Seneke and wife Brita's child Anna, born May 23rd, baptized June 3rd.

15. Jesper Walraven and wife Anna's child Benjamin, born June 11th, baptized June 13th.

16. Anders Stalcop and wife Barbro's child Margarita, born June 17th, baptized June 20th.

17. Thomas Bird and wife Hannah's child Benjamin, born June 13th, baptized June 27th.

18. Mârten Mârtensson and wife Kerstin's child Sara, born June 21st, baptized June 27th.

19. Johan Wilder and wife Margarita's child Elizabeth, born June 22nd, baptized June 27th.

20. Peter Petersson Canpany and wife Magdalena's child Helena, born June 7th, baptized July 4th.

21. Joshua Robertsson and wife Maria's child Maria, 4½ years old, baptized July 7th.

22. Jonathan Kirk and wife Maria's child Jonathan, born May 25th, baptized July 11th.

23. David White and wife Gierkie's children Moses and Stephanius, born July 19th, baptized July 29th.

24. Capt. W. Battel and wife Cornelia's child France, 3 months old, baptized August 10th.

25. Carolus Springer and wife Margarita's child Johan, born August 9th, baptized August 22nd.

26. Hindric Stedham and wife Elizabeth's child, Elizabeth, born September 6th, baptized September 12th.

27. Garrit Garrisson and wife Elizabeth's child Catharine born September 16th, baptized September 17th.

28. Hans Piettersson and wife Sara's child, Sara, born October 3rd, baptized October 20th.

29. Timotheus Benjamin Stedham and wife Catharina's child, Johan, 6 weeks old, baptized October 10th.

30. Johan Seed and wife Brita's child Johan, born October 11th, baptized October 13th.

31. Anders Loinan and wife Maria's child Maria, born October 18th, baptized October 24th.

32. Pastor Herr Magister Samuel Hesselius and wife Brita's child Sara, born October 23rd, baptized October 24th.

33. Cornelius JaQuett and wife Maria's child Petrus, born October 30th, baptized November 14th.

34. David Henock and wife Helena's child Annika, born October 30th, baptized November 14th.

35. Olle Månson and wife Annika's child Petrus, born December 15th, baptized December 19th.

36. Johan Stalcop and wife Maria's child Israel, born December 24th, baptized December 26th.

MARRIAGES 1725.

1. William Jansson and Jane Jansson, married January 18th, (with Governor's license.)

2. David Harvey and Elizabeth Price, married September 2nd.

3. Rees Evans and Mary Welsh, married September 30th.

4. Walraven Walraven and Christina Kâlsberg married October 6th.

5. Isaac James and Rachel Rees, married November 4th.

6. Jesper Robesson and Magdalena Springer, married November 11th.

7. Johan Mârtensson and Margaretta Stalcop, (Governor's license,) married November 11th.

8. Peter Petersson Smith and Annika Mânson, married November 26th.

9. Matthias Stark and Brigitta Hindricsson, married November 28th.

10. Richard Williams and Elizabeth Brett, married December 14th.

BURIALS 1725.

1. Garret Garretsson's child Catharina, buried September 19th.

2. Israel Stalcop buried November 11th.

3. The late Jesper Walraven's widow Kerstin, buried December 20th.

A. D. 1726, July 1st.—Mâns Smith and Walraven Walraven were dismissed from the office of Churchwarden, and in their place were elected William Clenny and Anders Gustafsson.

November 6th. William Clenny was dismissed from the office of Churchwarden for his unworthiness, and Brewer Seneke was chosen in his place.

Dec. 4th.—The Church Council met and it was resolved that a pump should be bought immediately for the Priest Gârd, and that Anders Justis or his successor on the old Land must keep the pump in order if they expect to have any benefit of the well.

N. B. Pastor Hesselius paid his debt to the congregation in the following way *viz:* 8£ 4s. Christina congregation was indebted to the congregation in Penn's neck for the building of their church of St. Georges, 46

bushels of wheat, and the Penn's Neck congregation was indebted to Pastor Samuel Hesselius 10£ for officating one year after the departure of Magister Lidenius, and Samuel Hesselius was indebted to Christiana congregation 9£. 9s. 7d., and Pastor Samuel Hesselius after a consultation with both congregations, procured a discharge from Penn's Neck and Raccoon Creek congregations of all indebtedness to them of the Christina congregation it being agreed that this should discharge him from all indebtedness to Christina congregation, which was done on the first of July, 1726. This discharge was two years afterwards delivered into the hands of Carl Springer.

BAPTISMS, 1726.

1. Lucas Stedham and wife Ingeborg's child Anna Maria, born January 4th, baptized January 9th.

2. Jacob Hein and wife Kerstin's child Cornelius, born January 4th, baptized January 9th.

3. George Reed and wife Sara's child Robert, born January 8th, baptized January 14th.

4. Samuel Hall and wife Anna Elizabeth's child Dina, 8 years old, baptized January 31st.

5. William Clenny and wife Maria's child Maria, born January 17th, baptized January 31st.

6. Hindric Snecker and wife Catharina's child Hindric, born February 7th, baptized February 8th.

7. Jonas Stalcop and wife Helena's child Israel, born February 19th, baptized the same day.

8. Jonas Jespersson Walraven and wife Catharina's child Maria, born February 1st, baptized February 22d.

9. Johan Rais and wife Margareta's child Thomas, a half year old, baptized February 28th.

10. Johan Mâsten and wife Margareta's child Matthias, born February 5th, baptized March 6th.

11. Joseph Chantrill and wife Catharina's child John, one and one-half year old, baptized March 25th.

12. Lylof Stedham and wife Anna's child Lylof, born March 24th, baptized April 8th.

13. Gustaf Pâlsson and wife Margareta's child Elizabeth, 6 months old, baptized April 10th.

14. Samuel Fowdrey and wife Anna's child Susanna, born April 10th, baptized April 15th.

15. Peter Pâlsson and wife Ingeborg's child Susanna, born April 10th, baptized April 15th.

16. Israel Robbesson and wife Elizabeth child Carl, born April 11th, baptized May 1st.

17. Johan Von Culen and wife Kerstin's child Peter, born April 10th, baptized May 1st.

18. William Cock and wife Emy's child Regner Von der Culen, born January 15th, 1725, baptized May 4th.

19. Robert Ershelot and wife Margareta's child Samuel, born April 23rd, baptized May 8th.

20. Mârten Gustafsson and wife Brita's child Swen, born May 31st, baptized June 6th.

21. William Forehead and wife Maria's child Rebecca, a half year old, baptized June 12th.

22. Joseph Peersson and wife Maria's child Henry, born December 28th, 1726, baptized June 12th.

23. Joseph Peersson and wife Maria's child George, born September 5th, baptized September 10th.

24. Peter Petersson Smith and wife Annika's child Tobias, born September 5th, baptized September 10th.

25. Peter Tossawa and wife Margareta's child Johan, born September 13th, baptized September 17th.

26. Christiern Brynberg and wife Maria's child Matthias, born September 5th, baptized September 25th.

27. Walraven Walravenand wife Kerstin's child Swen, born October 10th, baptized October 16th.

28. William White and wife Maria's child Maria, born November 13th, baptized November 16th.

29. Jasper Walraven and wife Anna's child Sara, born November 29th, baptized December 4th.

30. Hanna Matthew's illegitimate child Sara, 3 years old, baptized December 10th,

31. Joseph Chantrill and wife Catharina's child Joseph, a half year old, baptized December 10th.

32. Christopher Springer and wife Catharina's child Brita, born December 10th, baptized December 14th.

33. Thomas Bird and wife Rachael's child Johan, born November 22d, baptized November 15th.

34. Samuel Peterson and wife Kerstin's child Christina, born September 19th, baptized December 27th.

BURIALS, 1726.

1. Hans Piettersson's child Sara, buried January 11th.
2. Paul Månsson, buried January 25th.
3. George Reed's wife Sara, buried January 6th.
4. Johanneas Månsson's child Catharina Ester, buried January 17th.
5. Israel Stalcop's child Maria, buried January 31st.
6. William Robbersson, buried February 27th.
7. George Fisher's wife Elizabeth, buried March 21st.
8. Jesper Walraven's child Maria, buried September 27th.
9. Johannes Månsson, buried October 9th.
10. Josua Robbersson's child Maria, buried November 5th.
11. Garrit Garritsson's child, (had necessary baptism), buried November 16th.
12. William White's child Maria, (buried at Crane Hook), November 19th.
13. Edward Matthews, buried December 6th.
14. Lucas Stedham, Senior, buried December 8th.
15. Elias Nilsson, buried December 12th.
16. Johan Morriss' wife Helena, buried December 14th.
17. Mr. Ebenezer Empson's son Jonathan, buried December 16th.
18. Anders Cock's daughter Brita, buried December 16th.
19. Anders Cock's daughter Catharina, buried December 18th

10. Hanna Mathew, buried December 18th.
11. Anders Stedham, buried December 27d.
12. Johan Tossawa, buried December 17th.
13. Ebenezer Empson, buried December 18th.
14. Brita Jeans, buried December 19th.

MARRIAGES, 1716.

1. Thomas Martin and Elizabeth Issard, married February 6th.
2. Johan Williams and Mary Piggotte, married April 12th.
3. Richard Jefferis and Margaret Howl, married April 19th.
4. Thomas White and Rebecca Cloud, married May 7th.
5. Hindric Hindricsson and Maria Tossawa, married July 13th.
6. Johan Burns and Margaret Rickri, married July 15th.
7. Erasmus Stedham and Mary Littlejohn, (gov. license), married December 3d.
8. Johan Seneke and Ingeborg Tossawa, married December 9th.
9. Thomas Cordrey and Mary Matthews, married December 13th.

July 17, 1727. Anders Gustafsson was dismissed from the Churchwardenship for his disobedience and obstinacy, and Philip Van de Ver was elected in his place, and also Jacob Van de Ver was chosen in the place of Brewer Seneke.

BURIALS 1727.

1. Ebenezer Empsson's widow Susanna, buried January 2d.
2. Hindric Hindricsson's wife Maria, buried January 13th.
3. John Owin's daughter Sara, buried January 14th.
4. Olle Månsson's child Susanna, buried January 24th.
5. Thomas Martin, buried February 26th.
6. Jonas Jespersson Walraven, buried March 11th.
7. Mr. Carl Springer's wife Maria, buried March 15th.
8. Jesper Robbesson, buried March 29th.
9. William Cock's child, Regner Von der Culen, buried April 18th.
10. Antille Stalcop's child Johannes, buried May 28th.
11. William Allen's child Jonas, buried October 12th.
12. Thomas Scott, buried November 13th.
13. Johan Wilder's child Margareta, buried December 16th.

Baptisms 1727.

1. Johan Rossen and wife Marget's child Maria, born December 25, 1720, baptized January 1st.

2. Peter Petersson and wife Anna's child Regner, born December 23d, baptized January 1st.

3. Thomas Bird and wife Maria's child Maria, born May 11, 1725, baptized January 1st.

4. Josia Wilson and wife Elizabeth's child Rebecca, born July 24, 1725, baptized January 1st.

5. Robbert Cloud and wife Sara's child Phœbe, born March 25, 1721, baptized January 1st.

6. Robbert Cloud and wife Sara's child James, born October 3, 1723, baptized January 1st.

7. Robbert Eckman and wife Christina's child Johan, born June 27, 1725, baptized January 1st.

8. Pâl Pâlsson and wife Catharina's child Richard, born February 5, 1726, baptized January 3d.

9. Pâl Pâlsson and wife Catharina's child Marget, born December 21, 1723, baptized January 3d.

10. Hans Petersson and wife Elizabeth's child Joseph, born December 25, 1726, baptized January 3d.

11, Mâns Gustafsson and wife Catharina's child Helena, born January 1st, baptized January 16th.

12. Edward Richardsson's child Sara, baptized January 6th.

13. The negress Peggy's child Elizabeth, born January 17th, baptized January 22nd.

14. Hindric Stedham and wife Catharina's child Catharina, born February 5th, baptized February 12th.

15. Anders Hindricsson and wife Maria's child Anders, born February 6th, baptized February 24th.

16. Anton Ja Quett and wife Catharina's child Elizabeth, born February 14th, baptized February 24th.

17. John Seed and wife Brita's child Rebecca, born February 26th, baptized February 27th.

18. Carolus Springer and wife Margareta's child Anna, born March 5th, baptized March 6th.

19. Christopher Stedham and wife Anna's child Zacharias, 5 weeks old, baptized March 12th.

20. Francis Chad and wife Grace's daughter Anna, 19 years old, baptized March 5th.

21. Richard Henock and wife Susanna's child Debora, 2 months old, baptized March 26th.

22. Robert Whittiker and wife Maria's child Anna, 2 months old, baptized March 26th.

23. Annika Likan's illegitimate child Elizabeth, 5 months old, baptized April 13th.

24. Breyer Meg Daniel and wife Catharina's child Catharina, 3 weeks old, baptized April 23rd.

25. John Pippin and wife Rebecca's child Joseph, 6 weeks old, baptized April 23rd.

26. Thomas Scott and wife Catharina's child Sara, born April 11th, baptized April 23rd.

27. Jacob Stille and wife Rebecca's child John, born April 22nd, baptized April 30th.

28. James Jordan and wife Anna's child Elizabeth, born February 8th, baptized May 21st.

29. Antilli Stalcop and wife Barbro's child Anders, born May 25th, baptized May 26th.

30. Antilli Stalcop and wife Barbro's child Anna Barbro, born May 25th, baptized May 26th.

31. Peter Classon and wife Walborg's child Joanna, born May 28th, baptized June 11th,

32. Peter Pålsson and wife Catharina's child Swen, born June 16th, baptized June 18th.

33. John Littlejohn and wife Maria's daughter Maria, 18 years old, baptized January 18th.

34. George Jackson and wife Honor's daughter, 15 years old, baptized January 18th.

35. Jonathan Kirk and wife Maria's child Susanna, born July 24th, baptized August 13th.

36. Gustaf Pålsson and wife Margareta's child William, born August 22nd, baptized September 13th.

37. Edward Erby and wife Anna's child Susanna, born June 25th, baptized September 13th.

38. Hans Smith and wife Maria's child Fredric, born September 19th, baptized September 24th.

39. William Allin and wife Margaretta's child Jonas, 15 months old, baptized September 29th.

40. William White and wife Maria's child Susanna, born October 7th, baptized October 15th.

41. John Seneke and wife Ingeberg's child Darkis', born October 11th, baptized October 15th.

42. Brewer Seneke and wife Brita's child Brewer, born October 15th, baptized October 22nd.

43. Pastor Herr Magister Samuel Hessellius and wife Brita's child Christiern, born October 16th, baptized October 22nd, Sponsors, Pastor Herr Magister Petrus Tranberg and his wife Anna Catharine, Pastor Herr Magister Andreas Windrufwa and his wife Eliza-beth, Jacob Van de Ver, Anders Loinan, Hindric Gustafsson's wife Brita, Philip Van de Ver's wife Elizabeth.

44. Erasmus Stedham and wife Maria's child Erasmus, born October 20th, baptized October 24th.

45. Jesper Robbinsson and wife Magdalena's child Jesper, born October 23d, baptized October 28th.

46. Peter Petersson Canpany and wife Magdalena's child Maria, born November 18th, baptized November 19th.

47. Jonas Skaggen and wife Anna's child Jonas, born November 15th, baptized November 24th.

48. Cornelius JaQuett and wife Maria's child Susanna, born November 23d baptized December 3d.

49. James Canada and wife Tabitha's child George, born Nov. 25th, baptized December 3d.

50. John Wilder and wife Margareta's child Margareta, born December 7th, baptized December 8th.

51 and 52. Richard Certain and wife Ester's children Martha and Maria, born December 1st, baptized December 13th.

53. Richard Certain and wife Ester's child Emanuel, born January 5th, 1725, baptized December 13th.

54. Philip Van de Ver and wife Elizabeth's child Susanna born December 25th, baptized December 30th.

MARRIAGES, 1727.

1. Johannes JaQuett and Kerstin Barker, married January 26th.

2. Richard Certain and Ester Price, Governor's License, married March 17th.

3 John Greedy and Elizabeth Hooper, Governor's Licehse, married March 26th.

4. Richard Hanby and Elizabeth Wilsson, Governor License, married March 23d.

5. Nicolaus Cursine and Rebecca Bird, married April 5th.

6. Charles Empson and Mary Jeans, Governor's License, married April 19th.

7. John Davis and Anna Mackmath, Governor's License, married April 20th.

8. Jonas Stedham and Helena Dericsson, married May 10th.

9. Thomas Lobum and Elizabeth Cordcry, married May 26th.

10. Edward Haley and Anna Cloud, married June 1st.

11. Thomas Wilcocks and Elizabeth Kohl, married June 3d.

12. Carl Springer and Annika Walraven, Governor's License, married June 15th.

13 William Trehearne and Catharine Rice, Governor's License, August 7th.

14. William Robbersson and Rachel Park, Governor's License, married August 17th.

15. Henry Wheatfield and Mary Blan, married September 1st.

16. John Right and Anna Tossawa, married September 22nd.

17. George Reed and Ingeborg Månsson, married October 3rd.

18. Jonathan Waddington and Anna Waka, Governor's License, married October 12th.

19. *Magister* Andreas Windrufva and Elizabeth JaQuette, married November 9th.

20. William Wight and Elizabeth Few, married December 1st.

21. Jonas Walraven and Maria Justis, married December 1st.

22. William Van de Ver and Margareta Colesberg, married December 7th.

23. Robert Harper and Margareta Archer, married December 9th.

24. John Smith and Elizabeth Diricsson, married December 26th.

25. John Allower and Mary Rodgers, Governors License, married December 30th.

BAPTISMS 1728.

1. David Henock and wife Helena's child Hindric, born December 7th, 1727, baptized January 1st.

2. Timotheus Benjamin Stedham and wife Catharina's child Joseph, 7 weeks old, baptized January 1st.

3. Olle Månssen and wife Annika's child Johan, born January 5th, baptized January 9th.

4. John Lewis and wife Elizabeth's child Sara, born December 27th, baptized February 10th.

5. Hans JaQuett and wife Kerstin's child Maria, 6 weeks old, baptized February 18th.

6. Garrit Garritfsson and wife Elizabeth's child John, born February 20th, baptized February 24th.

7. Garrit Pålsson Garritsson and wife Ester's child Hindric, born January 28th, 1727, baptized February 26th.

8. Elizabeth Garritsson's illegiitmate child Rebecca, born March 3rd, 1727, baptized February 26th.

9. William Cock and wife Emi's child Regner, born February 20th, baptized February 27th.

10. Jacob (*a*) Vandever and wife Maria's child Tobias, born February 20th, baptized February 27th.

11. William Kallom and wife Maria's child Benjamin, born January 17th, baptized March 3rd.

12. William Kallom and wife Maria's child John, born December 5th, 1725, baptized March 3rd,

13. Lucas Stedham and wife Ingeborg's child Sara, born March 11th, baptized November 27th.

14. William Forehead and wife Maria's child Samuel, born March 13th, baptized April 21st.

15. Jesper Walraven and wife Annika's child Margareta, born May 24th, baptized May 23rd,

16. William Justice and Elizabeth Witten's illegitimate child Isaac, born July 28th, 1723, baptized May 23rd.

17. Mårten Mårtensson and wife Kerstin's child Johannes, 6 weeks old, baptized May 31st.

18. Olle Tossawa and wife Maria's child Catharina, 4 weeks old, baptized June 16th.

(*a*) This name originally Van de Ver or Van de Wer, is now spelt Vandever.

19. Hindric Stedham and wife Catharina's child Cornelius, born May 31st, baptized June 16th.

20. Israel Petersson and wife Margaretta's child Magdalena, born July 14th, baptized July 21st.

21. Jonas Stedham and wife Helena's child Lucas, born July 29th, baptized August 4th.

42. Mâns Gustafsson and wife Catharina's child Swen, born August 1st, baptized August 4th.

23. George Reed and wife Ingeborg's child William, born August 4th, baptized August 10th.

24. John Right and wife Annika's child Sara, born August 21st, baptized August 19th.

25. Jonas Walraven and wife Maria's child Gustafsson, born September 7th, baptized September 15th.

96. John Seed and wife Brita's child Elizabeth, born September 7th, baptized September 15th.

27. Johannes Springer and wife Maria's child Carl, born July 21st, baptized September 25th.

28. Thomas Wort and wife Kerstin's child Judith, born March 14th, baptized September 15th.

29. Johannes de Foss and wife Hanna's child Elizabeth, born January 6, 1724 baptized September 25th.

30. Thomas Cordrey and wife Maria's child John, born December 24, 1727 baptized September 25th.

31. Adam Stole and wife Catharina's child Johannes, born September 28th, baptized September 29th.

32. William Vandever and wife Margaretta's child Elizabeth, born October 1st, baptized October 5th.

33. John Dasson and wife Sara's child James, 6 months old, baptized October 5th.

34. William Clenny and wife Maria's child Hanna, 6 weeks old, baptized October 13th.

35. Peter Tossawa and wife Margaretta's child Elizabeth, born October 2nd, baptized October 13th.

36. John Crocker and wife Maria's child Anna, born January 5th, baptized November 3rd.

37–38. Peter Petersson and wife Annika's children Margaretta and Catharina, born November 2nd, baptized November 3rd.

39. John Mârten and wife Margaretta's child Christina, born November 13th, baptized November 24th.

40. John Dason and wife Sara's child John, 2 years old, baptized December 26th.

41. Carolus Springer and wife Margaret's child Carl, born December 17th, baptized December 22nd.

42. David White and wife Hierkie's child Carolus, born in August, baptized December 26th

MARRIAGES, 1728.

1. John Bush and Miriam Short, married January 6th.

2. John Crocker and Mary Neal, married February 1st.

3. Francis Laiton and Sarah Ford, married February 27th.

4. Thomas Clayton and Hanna Buckley, Governor's License married March 1st.

5 David Morgan and Jennet Mackelttonny, married April 1st.

6. Jacobus Dirixson and Annika Justice, Governor's License, married June 9th.

7. John Jackson and Rachel Grist, married June 11th.

8. Edward Cloud and Francis Bird, Governor's License, married June 19th.

9. William Lewis and Helena Welsh, Governor's License, married July 11th.

10. David Davis and Hanna Oborn, married August 22nd.

11. George Orson and Anna Macknel, married September 16.

12. Thomas Berry and Jean Beard, Governor License, married September 12th.

13. Peter Andersson and Elizabeth Dirixon, Governor's License, married October 5th.

14. Richad Hoe and Jean Pierce, Governor's License, married October 10th.

15. Regner Von Culen and Anna Skaggan, Governor License, married November 13th.

16. Pâl Pâlsson and Magdalena Robbisson, married November 19th.

17. Joseph Horsey and Sara de Foss, Governor'e License, married November 21st.

*18. Thomas Willing and widow Catharine Scott, married December 5th.

*The founder of Wilmington.

Burials, 1728.

1. Olle Månsson, buried January 1st.
2. Thomas Scott's child Sara, buried January 11th.
3. Philip Van de Ver's wife Elizabeth, buried February 5th.
4. Jonas Skaggen, buried February 11th.
5. Peter Pålsson's wife Geikie, buried August 27th.
6. John Gustafsson's son Gustafwus, buried September 1st.
7. Berget Pålsson's wife Margareta, buried September 9th.
8. Edward Robbesson's son Edward, buried September 10th.
9. Olle Månsson's child Catharine, buried September 20th.
10. George Reed's child Robbert, buried September 29th.
11. Jacobus Diricson, buried October 1st.
12. Cornelius Ja Quett's child Susanna, buried October 13th.
13. Måns Tossawa, buried November 24th.
14. Peter Petersson's child Catharina, buried November 30th.
15. John Smith, buried December 5th.
16. Conrad Constantin, buried December 11th.

Baptisms, 1729.

1. John Bird and wife Margareta's child Anna, 6 months old, baptized January 19th.

2. Walraven Walraven and wife Kerstin's child Maria, born January 23rd, baptized January 26th.

3. Samuel Fodrey and wife Anna's child Alis, 7 weeks old, baptized January 26th.

4. Edward Earby and wife Anna's child Maria, born October 13, 1728, baptized February 24th.

5. Christopher Springer and wife Catharina's child Peter, born March 9th, baptized March 16th.

6. Peter Pålsson and wife Catharina's child Catharina, born March 29th, baptized March 30th.

7. Thomas Martin and wife Elizabeth's child Susanna, 13 months old, baptized March 30th.

8. Christopher Stedham and wife Hnnna's child Susanna, born April 4th, baptized April 20th.

9. John Stalcop and wife Maria's child Annika, born April 12th, baptized April 20th.

10. John Wilsson and wife Margareta's child Maria, born April 25th, baptized May 11th.

11. Richard Hoe and wife Jean's child Anna, born June 3rd, baptized June 5th.

12. Lylof Stedham and wife Anna's child Elizabeth, 1 year old, baptized June 18th.

13. Anton JaQuett and wife Catharina's child Paulus, born May 30th, baptized June 9th.

14. Peter JaQuett and wife Marta's child Thomas, born July 14, 1728, baptized June 9th.

15. Anders Hindricsson and wife Maria's child Maria, born June 23rd, baptized June 29th.

16. Samuel Petersson and wife Kerstin's child Matthias, born August 1st, baptized August 3rd.

17. John York and wife Marget's child Maria, born June 26th baptized August 3rd.

18. David Henock and wife Helena's child Margareta, born July 29th, baptized August 10th.

19. Peter Anderson and wife Kerstin's child Jacobus, one week old, baptized August 17th.

20. Jonas Stalcop and wife Helena's child Maria, one week old, baptized September 28th.

21. Olle Andersson and wife Kerstin's child Brita, born October 7th, baptized October 12th.

22. Erasmus Stedham and wife Maria's child Maria, born October 8th, baptized October 26th.

23. Olle Tossawa and wife Maria's child John, born December 4th, baptized December 7th.

24. Regner Von Culen and wife Anna's child Margareta, born December 4th, baptized December 7th.

25. Timotheus Stedham and wife Elizabeth's, child Elizabeth, born December 15th, baptized December 21st.

26. Thomas Willing and wife Catharina's child Helena, born December 18th, baptized December 26th.

MARRIAGES, 1729.

1. William Justice and Elizabeth Base, Governor's License, married January 27th.

2. Wm. Croshee and Mary Littlejohn, married February 18th.

3. George Hudson and Mary Tatcher, married February 21st.

4. Daniel Rock and Elizabeth Carey, married March 25th.

5. Thomas Long and Jean Perkins, Governor's License, married March 30th.

6. John Littlejohn and Annika Petersson Canpany, married May 6th.

7. Richard Reinhold and Sara Pierce, married June 5th.

8. Thomas Bab and Sara Folek, Governor's License, married June 12th.

9. Hindric Månsson and Judith Justice, Governor's License, married June 26th,

10. John Chandler and Elizabeth Spragg, Governor's License, married July 13th.

11. Henry Johnson and Catharina Price, married October 14th.

12. Lars Vinan and Elizabeth Garritsson, married October 29th.

13. Joseph Ogle and Sara Winters, Governor's License, married December 4th.

14. John Green and Jean Perkins, married December 23rd.

15. Isaac Davis and Catharina Jacksson, Governor's License, married December 30th.

BURIALS 1729.

1 John Morris, buried January 18.
2. Olle Månsson's child, Peter, buried February 20.
3. Jesper Walraven's child, Benjamin, buried March 10.
4. Jesper Walraven's child, Sara, buried March 13.
5. Brewer Seneke's child, Brewer, buried April 10.
6. Peter Månssion's widow, Karin, buried June 9.
7. The late John Garritsson's child, Anna, buried August 15.
8. Peter Pålsson's child, Swen, buried August 18.
9. Anders Cock's wife, Sara, buried September 19.
10. Hindric Månsson, buried October 28.

November 1st, 1729.—At a general Parish meeting the following persons were elected to the Church Council: Mr. Carl Springer, Christiern Brynberg, Jacob Vandever, Philip Vandever, Måns Justis, Timotheus Stedham, and Lucas Stedham and Jesper Walraven and Israel Petersson, were unanimously chosen Church-wardens.

A brief relation of a severe persecution which Pastor

Herr Magister Samuel Hessellius has suffered at Christina, in that he has been falsely defamed and accused by various ungodly persons to the Herr Provost in Fahlun, Mr. Biork, and also to the Bishop of Skara, etc., and of his defense and innocence.

May 29, 1729.—Pastor Hesselius received a surprising letter from Mr. Biork, wherein he severely upbraided him as having very unfaithfully conducted the affairs of the church at Christina, and very differently from what he did in his time there, but had neglected it in favor of the English church, not preaching, catechizing, holding examinations or visiting the sick, and had sold away land which was willed to the church and taken the money for his own private use, and also sold another piece of land that belonged to the church and bought a negress for the money, which he retains as his own property, etc. And Mr. Biork in his letter threatens Mr. Hessellius to let the Highworthy Herr Bishop and His Royal Majesty in Sweden, know of the whole matter and have Mr. Hessellius dismissed from his place and another priest be put instead.

From which letter the Pastor Herr Magister Hesselius saw at once that some evil and thoughtless person of his congregation had falsely belied him and sought to scandalize his good name, reputation, and cause his ruin. Magister Hessellus had great and strong reasons to have suspicion of Mr. Charles Springer who during his services in the church at Christina had often been troublesome and annoying, and opposed and persecuted his pastor.

Some time thereafter on the 11th of June, Mr. Springer sent Edward Robesson to Pastor Hessellius with a letter from the Highworthy Herr Bishop reproving Mr. Hessellius for improper behavior and wrongfulness,

and for the same crimes which Mr. Biork in his letter accused him of and threatened that he should be deprived of both his gown and office, etc. This same letter had Mr. Springer received open to himself, and had for a week's time, and showed it to many with satisfaction. As soon as it came into the hands of Pastor Hessellius, who in his conscience knew himself to be entirely innocent, he took the prudent course of translating the Bishop's letter into English to show it to the Governor and relate to the Governor his sufferings and persecutions. And the Pastor Hessellius wrote a petition to the Governor which reads as follows:

To the Honorable Patrick Gordon, Governor of the Province of Pennsylvania, and of New Castle, Kent and Sussex upon Delaware.

The humble petition of Samuel Hessellius, minister of the church at Christeen.

May it please your Honour:

My experience of the justice and generosity of your temper, encourages me to lay before your Honour my most melancholy circumstances, and to crave your protection from my oppressors. Your petitioner has been represented home to his Bishopin Sweden very much to his dishonour and disadvantage. He is persuaded Charles Springer one of your Honor's Magistrates is his principal accuser, your petitioner does not know how he has disobliged Mr. Springer, but he is very sensible of the many ill offices the said Springer has done him and is still working against him; particularly in that he endeavors to keep the people at Christeen from writing in your petitioners behalf to clear my character from those foul aspersions cast upon me. The poor congregation under my care stands in awe of the said Springer, and what he says must be law though to the ruin of your petitioner. May it therefore please Your Honour to order Mr. Springer to appear before Your Honour, and then give us a full hearing that if I am innocent as I assure Your Honour. I am, Your Honour may vindicate my character, and disable Mr. Springer to hurt a poor

stranger through an ill use of his power and authority. Or may it please your Honour to appoint Mr. Gordon and Mr. French to hear our differences, I mean between the congregation at Christeen and me to make report to Your Honour that I may not longer be oppressed by a faction. That God may bless Your Honour and make your administration as heretofore, the glory and joy of the colony over which you rule, is the hearty prayer of May it please your Honour,

Your Honour's most obedient and
most humble servant,

SAMUEL HESSELLIUS.

Along with this petition pastor Samuel Hessellius gave in to the Governor his remonstrance or vindication, which reads as follows:

The Honorable Patrick Gordon,
Governor of P. A., etc.

The humble remonstrance of Samuel Hessellius, minister of the church at Christeen:

I have presumed to petition your Honour, that your Honour may please to order a hearing of Mr. Springer and your petitioner, etc., and I acquainted your Honor that I have been represented home to my Bishop in Sweden very much to my disadvantage and dishonour, and I was persuaded that Charles Springer was my principal accuser. I now crave permission to lay before your Honour the heavy complaint against me, wrote to myself from Jesperus Swedburg my Bishop in Sweden, upon the false accusations maliciously repr sented to him, and a just, though brief vindication of myself from the several heads of the said complaint, viz: Your Honour may please to observe in the complaint, mention made of a letter against me received from the congregation of Christeen. This letter I have reason to think a forgery of him who has made himself my greatest enemy, for my congregation deny the writing of it. I am complained of for that I did not preach to the people for many Sundays, that I did not catechise them, nor visit the sick and administer the sacrament to such. To these charges I answer that all the neglect

of this kind I have been guilty of has been unavoidable, and occasioned by my visiting the English Churches at Chester, Concord and Marcus Hook, after having preached to my own congregation, and some few in forenoons, and my sickness and inability one summer only. I have not neglected catechising the people yearly as usual, except in the time of my indisposition, and when I began to preach English in the other churches; and though I have sometimes been absent, I have not therein transgressed the order from the Bishop, who being a member of the English Society for the propagation of the Gospel in foreign parts, has directed me to assist the vacant English churches; neither has my service been rendered thereby more easy to me, for the nearest of the three churches aforementioned is accounted ten miles distant from my house at Christeen. Indeed the society of England have allowed me for it, but my own congregation have therefore disallowed me my small salary from them, although they have subscribed their names to an obligation in that behalf. I can with integrity assure your Honour, that their minister has more just ground of complaint against them for their negligence and leaving of him, (excepting a few good men.) I never refused to visit the sick when I was sent for, and to administer the sacrament to such, except it may be to one or two persons, whom in my great caution in so solemn a part of my office, have thought unfit and undeserving at the time to receive it. I am complained of for selling a piece of land belonging to the church, and putting the money in my own pocket; and for also selling from the church another piece of woodland, As to the first piece of land (said to be willed to the church,) there was a dispute about it between the congregation and one Edward Robinson, who pretended a claim to it, took it away and held possession of it long before my time. But since I was their minister they came to an accommodation, and the said Edward Robinson paid to the church a consideration of fifteen pounds and had a discharge. The money was received and deposited in the church by the wardens. Whether my having borrowed ten pounds can have given any ground for so false an accusation, I know not, but am doubtful. It was like most of the rest laid to my charge, wholly without colour, and malicious. My income being scanty, I once applied to the Churchwardens

to borrow about ten pounds of the church money, which they lent me, and I afterwards repaid. But nobody will, I think, dare to say openly, that I have destroyed the rights of the church, or wronged the church of a farthing's value. The accusation concerning a piece of woodland is also falsely represented. It was an unprofitable piece of ground, which the congregation, willing to have some benefit of, agreed to sell, that the money might for the use of the church, be let out at interest, or a negro woman be bought therewith, for the service of the minister of Christina Church. The land was accordingly sold by Mr. Springer and the rest of the vestry, and a negro bought and appointed to attend my service, during the time only of my being their minister. My good Bishop, misled by the false and virulent information to him, has repented of sending me here and threatens to deprive me of my office for my great wickedness. Your Honour cannot be insensible how deeply the malice of a few enemies hath injured me in my reputation, living, and the tranquility of my mind, when I also further assure your Honour that I am not at all conscious to myself of the wickedness complained of in my Bishop's letter, and that to the truth of this vindication, I am ready to declare upon my solemn oath.

I am your Honour's
obedient and most humble servant
SAMUEL HESSELLIUS.

July 22nd, 1729.

Upon this petition the Governor sent a commission to three judges in New Castle to hear the difference betwixt Pastor Samuel Hessellius and Mr. Springer with his company which he had misled, that the judges may afterward report to the Governor the truth of the case. The trial was begun September 1, 1729, in the presence of many people at Brandywine ferry, when the Pastor Magister Samuel Hessellius declared his innocence, and how falsely he has been belied by some inconsiderate person, and presented his reasons for the suspicion of Mr. Springer being his false accuser, viz: the following

1st. Because my Bishop writes to Mr. Springer a copy of the letter I have in English, and desires him to let him know how his minister Samuel Hessellius should behave himself in time to come. And the Bishop sends to Mr. Springer an open letter, very sharp, written to me, and before it came to my hand Mr. Springer rejoicing in it, showed it to a great many, and by that I think he discovered himself to be my accuser, although he denies it, and all the rest of the congregation deny it.

2nd. Because he penned a very scandalous paper against me last year, and mentioned therein those facts whereof I am accused in the Bishop's letter. And the said Mr. Springer did read that paper before all the congregation. I desired him then to let me answer to every point therein; but he denied that, and took the paper and tore it in pieces, and would not suffer me to defend myself. By that I believe, and am very sensible that he has been my accuser to Mr. Biork, for then he accused me falsely of the same crimes, and said more than he could stand to.

3rd. I believe he informed against me, because he has many times threatened me in his passion before my face, to write home against me; and he said once to my face, that I had committed sacrilege.

4th. Because he called several times the vestry together, and the Churchwardens, and his best friends secretly without my knowledge, without any orders, and works with them against me, and frightens and keeps the people from writing home to the Bishop in my behalf, and he is an enemy to and dislikes the good people that have done it already and disturbs them for what they have done; and by that I see he endeavors as much as he can to make them believe that I am guilty of the crimes I am accused of, and will not suffer them to clear my character from those false accusations laid to my charge.

5th. Because his own sons said publicly that if they should give me a good recommendation to my Bishop, then they all should make themselves liars. By that I think his sons are concious that their father Springer has been my accuser.

6th. Because Mr. Springer has yearly a secret correspondence with Mr. Biork, and what Mr. Springer writes to him either right or wrong, Mr. Biork believes it to be true. Indeed, I have some

suspicion too of Mr. Biork's brother-in-law Hans Smith the hatter and John Stalcop, who are not the best of men, and have made themselves my greatest enemies. But I believe they are not capable without assistance from Mr. Springer, to put in writing such high matters or accusations against me, because they are both very poor writers and weak men, and cannot be credited so well as Mr. Springer, who is in great esteem with some at home. Therefore I really believe him to be my principal accuser.

7th. Because of the factions that are made by Mr. Springer yearly. He has been these many years a very unruly member of Christeen Church, and distressed the ministers of that church that they could not live in peace and quietness, for his ill offices, and with comfort officiate at that church. My predecessor, my own brother, Andreas Hessellius was indeed very much afflicted by him and suffered great injuries. Mr. Springer threatened him as he has done me, to shut the church door and keep the key from him that no service should be done by him; and many abuses he offered, and quarrels he had with the said minister without any just cause or reason. And the same oppression he uses against me ever since I was their minister to this day. And he does not as a vestryman ought to do give me a reasonable assistance in the church affairs. And that his wicked designs should go forward, he not only stirs up the people against me, but he persuades them to choose such men to be vestrymen as he thinks to be fit tools for his purpose to distress their minister, and to ruin his credit; and the best and honestest men, the best Christians, that pay due respect to their minister and stand by him, and would do good to the church, are turned out by factious people, from the vestry, so that they have nothing to say. All these dirturbances and factions proceed from the pevishness and contentious humour of Mr. Springer, because he cannot force me to humour him in everything and to submit to his imperiousness. He has so ill-used me publicly, that he has threatened to shut the church door, and said that I was not worthy to go up to a pulpit, and that he would take the church books and records from me; and publicly called me a covetious man who takes money for marrying, and said that he would marry for nothing,

because said he I have as great power to join people together as a minister; this he said to all the people. And many other uncivil words he spoke which I cannot remember. All these abuses I have sufiered by him without any just cause. And I cannot indeed see how and in what manner I have disobliged him and his accomplices, who follow his steps, that they should so unjustly calumniate me and so severely censure my conduct. The hardships, I and some true members of Christeen Church labour under by this faction made by Mr. Springer are beyond expression. I am very sensible that the poor congregation at Christeen is misled by Mr. Springer and his unruly temper; and that they grow worse and worse by his ill example, disobedience and obstinacy against his minister. Let the christian world judge if that was well done by Mr. Springer which passed some weeks ago. He upon a Sabbath day, after Divine service called the vestry together, without my knowledge and many other of his friends to a publick-house and called for a bottle of rum for himself and the people, and inter-jocula, they signed a letter to the King of Sweden without my orders, and there he and they held an abusive conference, as I have heard by true evidences, concerning me. When they got mellow they began furiously to rail against their minister. One says, "The minister indeed deserves to be deprived of his office, and to be striped of his gown. Another says, "We will write home to the Bishop, and to the King of Sweden, and to the King of England and Bishop of London, that he may be certainly deprived of his office and be ruined. One was ready at that time to fight with an honest man who happened to come in amongst them and spoke something in my behalf, whom they took for a spy. It is indeed a barbarous thing, but very true, that such men who are at the bottom, good for little, should oppose me, and in such manner rail against their minister; but in the sight of Mr. Springer they are the best of men. He likes him best who is my greatest enemy. Mr. Springer with his companions has always complained that I neglected my duty towards the congregation at Christeen. I am very sensible that this is not true; I have served them as a faithful servant and the church record will show it to be so. And all good sensible Christians cannot find any fault with me in serving that church. It cannot be called a neglect when I,

besides my industrious care over my own flock, now and then out of pity helped the distressed vacant churches, as my predecessors have done, and was an old custom with all the Swedish missionaries to preach among the English, and therein neither they nor I have transgressed the orders of our Bishop, who strictly enjoined me to it, and my commission under his own hand will show this good and general principle for the propagating of the Gospel and that it runs farther than my capacity in this case can allow, viz; to preach the Gospel amongst the Indians. The true members of Christeen church never grumbled at me for doing what I did; there is more charity in them than to side with my oppressors in this charge; and it is to be observed that many of these murmurers can be proved to be no true churchmen because they neglect from time to time the Divine service on the Sabbath days in Christina, when they can have it and the holy sacraments and other christian duties. So by that, the christian world can see that such men are not actuated by any religious temper, zeal and piety, but merely by malice and prejudice against me. I have indeed, good reason to complain of them for their neglecting their duty towards me, and for their many abuses. The greatest part of my congregation have kept my salary from me, altho' it is very small, and cannot support me and my poor family. Mr. Springer had indeed, power and authority to make them pay my dues according to the obligation they gave, but he would not do anything in such a religious matter, pretending it was against his conscience to give judgment against them to pay my dues, because of the neglect he said, I was guilty of. His conscience suffered him once to give judgment that a schoolmaster in the neighborhood, who had not taught one lesson to some certain children should be paid out of hand, but he has no conscience to do a poor minister justice, not considering my low condition, necessity, pilgrimage and indefatigable labor. There is a complaint against me that I did not catechise my people. I am sure that I never neglected that part of my office, but I yearly as usual, catechised them except one summer only, when I was in a sickly condition, and after my recovery had some more necessary business on hand, viz: To preach to the English congregations, as I commonly did in the afternoon at Chester, Marcus

Hook and Concord who were then like a sheep without a shepherd; and I had not time then, neither strength nor ability to give to Christeen church two sermons on a Sunday, as they usually have in time of catechising the people, but I gave one sermon to them and the other to the English in the afternoon. I am fully persuaded that if my Bishop had at that time been here, and seen the desolate state of the said congregations, he had surely pitied them, and could not dislike, much less blame me for my readiness to do good amongst my distressed neighbors. To say that I omit to visit the sick and administer the sacraments to such, is indeed a falsehood. Our church record will show the contrary. I know in my conscience that I never refused that part of my office when I was sent for; it may be I have refused the persons whom I found unfit to receive it. I perceive that my great caution in administering the sacrament is thought and reported falsely by my enemies to be neglect. The other accusations laid against me that I have sold two pieces of land belonging to the church and converted the money to my private use, are utterly false and malicious, and no man can prove such a sacrilege to have been committed by me, and was I guilty of such a crime I am sure my enemies would not spare me, but openly appear and prove it against me that I might suffer for such a wickedness. I perceive there is a new complaint amongst them against me, whereof my Bishop did not know when he wrote that sharp letter to me that I have neglected Christeen Church for six weeks. It is true I forbore last year to preach at Christeen for six weeks. In that very time it was when the false accusations came into the hands of Mr. Biork against me. But that was not neglect, but a just censure passed upon unruly spirits among us. Our coming together about that time was attended with so much contention along of Justice Springer and his adherents, that the sober and discreet part of my congregation advised me to do my duty elsewhere, where I could officiate in peace and quietness, till the hot and furious amongst us should recover themselves and come to a cooler temper. There was such railing and scolding then at the church door, such a general obstinacy against paying me the promised support, that I resolved at last, by way of correction and rebuke, to desist preaching at Christeen, till my labors there were regarded and a better

use made of them; and if I in this acted unbecomingly, it was my mistake, not neglect.

I am your Honour's

Most humble servant,

SAMUEL HESSELLIUS.

Then there was an investigation whether or not Pastor Hessellius was guilty of these crimes, and if his adversary Mr. Springer and they who were on his side could show that Mr. Hessellius was guilty of such offences and that Mr. Hessellius won the case, and that all the complaints of him were untrue and groundless will appears from the following copies.

{ Locs Sigilli Provincies Pensylvainensis }

By the Honourable Patrick Gordon, Esq., Governor of the Province of Pennsylvania and the Counties of New Castle, Kent and Sussex upon Delaware.

These certify whom it may concern, that the following is a true copy of the commission by me issued at the request of Mr. Samuel Hessellius, minister of the Swedish Church at Christina and of the report thereon made to me. In testimony whereof I have caused the great seal of the said Province hereunto to be affixed. Given under my hand at Philadelphia, the 24th day of October, in the third year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord, George the Second, by the grace of God, King of Great Britain, France and Ireland, etc., Defender of the Faith, etc., annoqi domini, 1729.

P. GORDON.

{ L. S. }

Patrick Gordon, Esq., Governor of the Province of Pennsylvania and Counties of New Castle, Kent and Sussex upon Delaware.

To Robert Gordon, David French and William Read, of the county of New Castle, Esquires, greeting:

Whereas, Mr. Samuel Hessellius, minister of the Swedish church at Christina, hath by a petition to me set forth that several grievous aspersions have been cast upon him and insinuations made, as if he had neglected the duty of his function and has unwarrantably sold lands belonging to that church, and con-

verted the money to his own private use, which, having reached the ears of the Right Reverend the Bishop of Scara in Sweden, hath drawn on him, the said Hessellius, the resentment of that bishop, whereby he not only suffers in his reputation amongst his countrymen, but likewise is threatened with the loss of such preferment in Sweden as otherwise he might have expected, and although he cannot postively say who his accusers are, yet from several ill offices done him with those of his congregation at Christina, he is induced to believe that he has been thus misrepresented by Charles Springer, of the county of New Castle, aforesaid, and a few others through his instigation. But being conscious of his innocence in all these matters laid to his charge in the said Bishop of Scara's letter, (a copy whereof translated from the Swedish into the English language is hereunto annexed) has therefore prayed that the difference if there any be, between his congregation and him, may be examined by proper persons to the end it may be known what foundation there is for these complaints:

Know ye therefore that I have appointed and authorized, and by these presents appoint and authorize you the said Robert Gordon, David French and William Read, or any two of you to make inquiry into the general articles with which the said Mr. Hessellius stands charged, and for that end to call before you such of his congregation as you shall judge best qualified to get those matters in a true light, and their examinations to take in presence of the said Mr. Hessellius and his accusers, and likewise to hear and judge of the defence which Mr. Hessellius shall there make against such things as shall be objected to him, and to make report of the whole to me with your opinion thereon.

Given under my hand and seal at arms at Philadelphia, the sixteenth day of August, in the third year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second over Great Britian, France and Ireland, etc., Annoq Domini 1729.

P. GORDON.

To the Honorable Patrick Gordon, Governor of the Province of Pennsylvania, and of New Castle, Kent and Sussex:

May it please your Honor:

In obedience to your Honor's commission directed unto us, to

inquire into certain differences between Rev. Mr. Samuel Hesselius, minister at the Swedish church at Christina, and his congregation, we appointed Monday, the first day of this instant, September, for that purpose, that if any persons of Mr. Hesselius' congregation had any thing to lay to his charge, they might be present, and that Mr. Hesselius might be prepared to defend himself against the accusations brought against him. And as your Honor has been pleased in your said commission farther to command us to make our report to you as well of the truth of the articles laid to Mr. Hesselius' charge as of the nature and manner of his defence, we humbly lay before your Honor the sevral charges against Mr. Hesselius and his defense to each of them separately:

The first article was that the said Samuel Hessellius had neglected to preach to his congregation for many Sundays. To this Mr. Hessellius answered that he had indeed been absent sometimes, but on such days as he was absent from Christina he preached to the English churches of Northeast, Chester, Marcus Hook and Concord, which at that time had no settled ministers; nor was he always absent the whole Sunday, but for the most part preached to his congregation in the morning before he went abroad, and this was agreed to be true by as many of his congregation as were present.

Article 2nd—That the said Samuel Hessellius did not catechise, as former ministers had done. To this Mr. Hessellius answered that his not catechising was owing partly to his indisposition, and to his preaching to the English churches before mentioned, and that it was impossible for him to catechise his hearers on the same day he was preaching abroad, and his congregation acknowledged that when he did not catechise he was supplying some of the said churches.

Article 3rd.—That Mr. Samuel Hessellius did not administer the sacrament to the sick. To this he answered that he never refused to administer it when he judged the persons fit to receive it; that when two sick persons sent for him, he visited them, and that they desired to receive the sacrement, which he would have administered, but that he thought them not qualified to receive it, by reason of the violence of their indisposition which had

affected their understanding, and no other instances of his refusal were given to us.

Article 4th.—That Mr. Hessellius had sold a tract of land belonging to the church at Christina, and converted the money to his own use. To this he answered that the fact was utterly false, and for his vindication desired that Edward Robinson might be sworn, who upon oath declared that the said land was never directly bequeathed to the church, but that one Aaron Johnson a member of that congregation, by his will bequeathed the same to his wife, but desired that after her decease, as the words of the testator are, the church might have what benefit she could of his estate. The same Edward farther declared that the widow by deed of sale conveyed the same land to him in consideration of his maintaining and supporting her in her old age, and that after the widow's decease the said Edward paid to the vestry of Christina Church the sum of 15 pounds for the release of the said land, and that the whole vestry unanimously concurred in the release; and by the confession of the persons who were Churchwardens at that time, it appeared evidently to us that Mr. Hessellius borrowed of them part of the 15 pounds, and that he had since repaid the same.

Article 5th.—That Mr. Hessellius had sold a part of the tract of land adjoining the glebe. As this charge was without foundation, Mr. Hessellius referred to the vestry for answer thereunto, who all declared that the said land was sold by the consent of the whole congregation, and that Mr. Hesselius is wrongfully accused in this particular,

As your Honor has required us, we presume to offer our opinion of the things laid to Mr. Hessellius charge, and of his defence to them.

As to the first article we must own that we do not take it to be a neglect in Mr. Hessellius to have preached in the English churches, since by his own commission from his Bishop in Sweden, he is permitted so to do. And when we consider that the said Mr. Hessellius seldom failed to preach to his own congregation in the forenoon we think it would be uncharitable to say that he had neglected his care because he was assistant to those

who had no teacher at the time; but if this be a neglect he is certainly guilty of it.

Of the 2nd article our opinion is the same as in the first since his not catechizing was occasioned by his preaching to the English churches and some time by his indisposition. In relation to the 3rd article, we cannot say whether Mr. Hesselius be faulty or not, unless we were proper judges of the qualification of the persons who desired to receive the sacrament, but if the minister in such cases be allowed to be the best judges as we conceive him to be, whether a person be a proper communicant or not, then we think Mr, Hessellius ought not to be blamed, inasmuch as thro' his caution only he thought it improper to administer it, to such as were not at the time in their senses, and that this was the cause of his refusing the sacrament to them we think is plain, because by the confession of all, Mr. Hessellius went on purpose to visit them.

As to the 4th and 5th articles, we think the charges in them are without foundation. We have not been able to find out who has thus accused Mr. Hessellius to his Bishop, and we must, in justice to Mr. Springer, inform your Honor that it has not appeared to us that he has represented him in this manner, and we are convinced that he has not been his accuser, by reason of the many real good offices he has done his minister. He indeed complained before us, as did a great part of the congregation, that Mr. Hessellius was too frequently absent, and this they called a neglect in him, conceiving that by his mission and agreement with them, he was to serve that church only, and that he ought not to leave them, more especially on Sundays, or not so often as he has done; and this we take to be the foundation of their church differences. We hope your Honor will be pleased to receive our endeavours to execute your Honour's commands.

ROBERT GORDON.
DAVID FRENCH.
WILLIAM READ.

New Castle, 6th of September, 1729.

Copy of the Herr Commissary Archibald Cumming's letter from Philadelphia to the Highworthy Herr Bishop Jesper Swedberg, which reads as follows:

My Lord:

Tho' I am an utter stranger to your Lordship, yet I hope your

goodness will, upon considering the nature of the affair, pardon my presuming to offer this trouble. I am incumbent of the English Church in Philadelphia, and appointed by the Bishop of London, his commissary, to exercise spiritual jurisdiction over the English clergy in this government. It is my inclination to maintain strict friendship, and as far as matters will bear, brotherly unity with your missionaries from Sweden, and am firmly resolved to do them all good offices that lie in my power. The regard I have for them in general, and particularly for Mr. Samuel Hessellius at Christina, creates in me no small uneasiness, since I have understood that so worthy a gentleman as he is, has fallen under your Lordship's displeasure. As to what is laid to his charge, upon inquiry, I find it is true that he preaches once every month to certain congregations of English, and upon some few occasions officiates at some other vacant churches, but nevertheless his own parishioners generally agree that he doubles his diligence among them and spares no pain to discharge the duties of his functions faithfully among them. In this case I am pursuaded did your Lordship see the desolate state of some of our congregations, like sheep without a shepherd, you would be ready to pity them, and to applaud instead of blame Mr. Hessellius for his readiness to do good among them. Besides this is no more than what his predecessors did formerly, what Mr. Lidman does at present and what our society at home annually rewards them for. The other accusations laid against him are utterly false, and known by everybody to proceed from the peevishness and caprice of one old man who has made a faction among that people to distress their minister, merely because he cannot force honest Hessellius to do everything to humor him, and to pay him that service and submission which would be very umbecoming one of his character or any one of a liberal education. Unhappy and hard indeed would be the case of any of the most circumspect clergyman in this remote part of the world, if it lay in the power of a few meddling and ill-designing men to ruin his credit and hinder his preferment by malicious misrepresentations. Give me leave to observe, my Lord, that as you of all Protestants are extremely blessed and easy in respect of being free from dissenters from your National Church, perhaps you may not be so very sensible of the hardships, yours as well as our clergy labour under in a province which of all the English

Governments is most over-run with sects of different denominations, wild, enthusiastical beyond expression; and it is no new thing for these accusers of the brethren, when they see regularly ordained clergymen, orthodox in the faith and diligent in the preopagating the same, both by precept and example, it is no new thing I say for them to employ fit tools from among ourselves to asperse and calumainate our conduct. As to Mr. Hessellius, I assure your Lordship in the strongest terms, that he is well esteemed and spoken of by persons of every rank for his sound doctrine and exemplary conversation. I earnestly beg your Lordship's favor towards him; though his innocence should support him, yet he is very much afflicted and cast down by reason of the bad impression you have received concerning him. Pray God for give his enemies and preserve your Lordship.

I am with profouned respect,

My Lord

Your most humble and most obedient servant

ARCH. CUMMING,

Philadelphia,

June 24th 1729.

Copy of the letter of the English clergy to the Highworthy Bishop Swedberg, which reads as follows:

To the Right Rev'd the Lord Bishop of Scara;
The humble address of the commissary and clergy
of the Province of Pennsylvania;

May it please Your Lordship:

The design of propagating the Gospel in these foreign parts of America, and particularly in Pennsylvania, (where false doctrine abounds and the number of sound teachers is so small,) engaged the Honorable Society of London, whereof Your Lordship is an eminent member, to employ the Swedish missionaries here so far in their service, that if they preached twenty sermons per annum in the vacant churches, each of them should have a yearly gratuity of 10 pounds sterling paid them. It pleased the Reverend Mr. Samuel Hessellius among others to accept of the said society's offer, believing that to supply our vacant churches now and then, could never be construed a neglect of his more particular charge. His charity herein, and indeed compassion to himself and poor family, instead of gaining that applause which it

truly deserved, was made a handle by two or three of his parishioners who grudged him bread, and our vacant churches the means of grace to draw upon him your Lordships heavy displeasure. But it may suffice to justify his conduct in this affair that it was encouraged from London and had our constant approbation. He seldom preached in English before he had discharged the duty he owed to his own cure; and we cannot but pity him, when we find that his unwearied diligence and his communicating the bread of life to his poor neighbours, when his own people had enough and to spare, is so deeply resented. Your Lordship, surely, never intended that one spot of the vineyard here should be constantly watered, when the several parts around it withered and died. That we be not tedious to your Lordship in a point that has been publicly heard, and determined to our Brother's honour, we beg leave to assure your Lordship that Mr. Hessellius is so meanly provided for at Christina that he could not subsist were it not for his labour among our vacant churches. We beg your Lordship will be reconciled to him for he is truly a worthy, discreet and diligent preacher, and as such we recommend him to your special favor and protection.

We are your Lordship,

Your most humble and most obedient servants,

ARCH'D CUMMINGS, Commissary.
GEORGE ROSS, Missionary at New Castle.
ROBERT WEYMAN, Missionary at Oxford.
WILLIAM BECKET, Missionary at Lewes.
WAL. HACKET, Missionary at Appoquinimink.

Philadelphia, RICHARD BACKHOUSE,
15th October, 1729. Missionary at Chester.

Copy of Christina Church's letter to the High Worthy Herr Bishop Swedberg, which reads as follows:

To the most Reverend Father in God, Jesperus, Lord Bishop of Scara; the humble representation of the subscribers, members of the Swedish Church, at Christina in America:

May it it please your Grace:

Mr. Samuel Hessellius, our present minister, having communicated to us a letter which he had received from your Grace of the date of August 23d, 1728, in which you are pleased to observe by letters from these parts directed to Mr. Biork, sometime our minister, you perceive that Mr. Hessellius has not behaved him-

self in his office of a pastor as he ought to have done, that he has been represented as a person who has neglected the care of his flock, that he has not only neglected to preach to them for several Sundays, but also that he has omitted to visit the sick, and to administer the sacrament to such, and likewise he has sold two parcels of land belonging to the church at Christina, and converted the money to his own use. Now in justice to Mr. Hessellius, we presume to acquaint and assure your Grace that these accusations are groundless and malicious, and that the person who gave this information to Biork was acted by malice and prejudice against our minister Mr. Hessellius, and never had any reasons for such allegations.

We observe with pleasure the good and generous intentions your Grace had of promoting Mr. Hessellius upon his return to Sweden, and we are heartily sorry that such groundless reports, and falsehoods as have been transmitted to Mr. Biork from here should incline you not to countenance him any longer, or to believe that he is guilty of the things laid to his charge. We conclude with our hearty acknowledgments to your Grace for having sent us so good a minister, and hope this will remove any ill opinion you may have conceived against him.

We are, my Lord, your Grace's
Very humble servants,

CHRISTIERN BRUNBERG,
His
HANS H P PIETTERSSON,
Mark.
ISRAEL I. PETERSSON,

JONAS STEDHAM,

GEORGE REED,
His
ANDREW A STALCOP, SR.,
Mark.
JOHN SEEDS,

PETER PETERSSON,
His
HINDRIC X KALSBERG,
Mark.
WILLIAM TUSSEY,
His
PETER P PETERSSON.
Mark.

His
PHILIP P V VANDEVER,
Mark.
JACOB VANDEVER,
His
ANDREW A LINAM,
Mark.
His
HINDRIC X HINDRICSSON,
Mark.
ANDERS X. HINDRICSSON, SR.,
His
ANDERS A. HINDRICSSON, JR.
Mark.
ERASMUS E. STEDHAM,
His
JOHN I RIGHT,
Mark.
CHRISTIERN STILLMAN,

NOTE. This was written in English.

Copy of the letter of the English Church of Chester to the High Worthy Bishop, reads as follows:

May it please your Lordship:

We, members of the church of England and inhabitants of Chester in Pennsylvania, whose names are hereunto subscribed, presume to beg your Lordship's candid interpretation of these lines. We find upon perusal of a letter of yours to the Reverend Mr. Samuel Hessellius, minister of Christina, your great resentment against his conduct and behavior among the people of Christina, summing up several articles, wherein he has misbehaved himself to some of which we think it a duty strictly incumbent upon us to reply, to vindicate the injured innocence of the aforesaid Mr. Hessellius from the odious calumnies his barbarous enemies have cast upon him, and to undeceive your Lordship in those groundless opinions you have entertained of him. This is, therefore, to give you to understând that we are the people whom Mr. Hessellius, when we were in a most forlorn and deplorable condition, piously relieved from the injuries of spiritual darkness by public Divine service, for which he had incurred your displeasure as to be within a little (though unheard himself) to be forever deprived from your protection, banished your favor, and suspended from his sacerdotal office. A sentence, we cannot but hope, upon your due consideration of these lines, you will intirely reverse. For years together, we labored under such hard and unhappy circumstances, that we had no minister either to baptize our infants, catechise our youth, administer the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, visit the sick or bury our dead; neither had we any public Divine service; but when this pious gentleman during the space of about two years and six months at our importunity, came among us, and that was but every third Sunday at the most; nay, so tender and indulgent was he over his people at Christina, that he preached to them at the usual hour for Divine service, and afterwards so indefatigably diligent was he, that he came to us on the same day. We are very much afflicted to find the pious gentleman so meanly rewarded, for those so great and meritorious services of giving light to those that were in darkness, and of preaching the Gospel to the poor, even when he neglected not those who

were more immediately by his orders from Sweden, committed to his care. Were innocence preservative against evil tongues, or could sanctity or a good conscience secure a man from unjust calumny, we believe Mr. Hessellius' character would have appeared in your discerning judgment unspotted and glorious; and as eminently would he have enjoyed your favor as any of his brethren that ever you were pleased to send into America. And we are well assured and believe that all men whatsoever acquainted with the gentleman, whose judgement is not blinded with prejudice, but governed by the dictates of an inoffensive conscience will agree, that all those accusations laid against him are false, scandalous and malicious. May therefore, not only this, but all such like attempts for the future be discountenanced, and may there never be wanting plenty of such faithful stewards over Christ's household, is the earnest prayer of

May it please your Lordship
Your Lordships
most humble servants

Churchwardens for Chester
RALPH PILE,
ALEXANDER HUNTER,
JOHN MATHER,
HENRY MUNDAY.

HENRY BOWRING,
JOHN PIKE,
WILLIAM PILE,
MATTHIAS MARTINS,
JOHN GARRET,
JOSEPH BOND,
HENRY GUEST,
THOMAS SILL,
JOHN WADE,
JOSEPH RICHARDS,
THOMAS GIFFING,
THOMAS BROOM,
STEPHEN COLE,
THOMAS CHESTER,
JOSEPH TOMPLEN.

JAMES WIDDOWS,
TIMOTHY CUMMINS,
BENJAMIN FORD,
EDWARD EARLY,
HENRY PIERCE, SEN.,
RICHARD HANBY,
HENRY PIERCE, JUNR.,
JOSEPH GRICE,
JOSEPH BAKER,
MICHAEL ATKINSON,
JAMES MATHER,
WILLIAM TREAHAME,
WILLIAM RASSEN,
GEORGE REED,

Marriages, 1730.

1. James Senexon and Margaret Werdeman, married January 20th.

2. Anders Hannah and Margaret Sherman, married January 20th.

3. Samuel Strout and Hanna Talley, married January 27th.

4. Isachar Green and Sara Green, (gov. license), married April 26th.

5. John Garritsson and Elizabeth Cock, married May 14th.

6. Ambrous Clayton and Martha Barn, (gov. license), married May 27th.

7. Ralph Whithers and Mary Bird, (gov. license), married May 11th.

8. Pastor Magister Samuel Hessellius and Gertrude Stille, (gov. license), married July 1st.

9. Andrew Rossen and Sara Bloair, (gov. license), married July 28th.

10. Carl Cornelius and Annika Dirixon, married August 20th.

11. Anders Rinberg and Maria Likon, (gov. license), married August 14th.

12. Daniel Parsons and Brigget Fegen, (gov. license), married October 5th.

13. Edward Robbesson and Sara Bird, (gov. license), married December 9th.

14. Michael Padrick and Anna Robbesson, (gov. license), married December 26th.

Baptisms, 1730.

1. Peter Classon and wife Walberg's child Elizabeth, born December 18th, 1729, baptized January 1st.

2. James Canida and wife Jane's child, Wilyam, born December 28th, 1729, baptized February 15th.

3. Pâl Pâlsson and wife Magdalena's child Dorothea, born January 20th, baptized February 15th.

4. Hans Petersson and wife Elizabeth's child Rubin, born January 24th, baptized February 15th.

5. Christiern Brunberg and wife Maria's child John, born January 29th, baptized February 15th.

6. Lars Vinan and wife Elizabeth's child Hindric, 6 months old, baptized March 15th.

7. John Senepon and wife Ingeborg's child John, born February 28th, baptized March 29th.

8. Jacob Vandever and wife Maria's child Susanna, born March 20th, baptized March 29th.

9. Martin Kelle and wife Catharina's child Maria, born April 2d, baptized April 12th.

10. Lucas Stedham and wife Ingeborg's child Elizabeth, born April 2d, baptized April 12th.

11. William VandeVer and wife Margareta's child John, born April 26th, baptized April 29th.

12. Hindric Stedham and wife Catharina's child Adam, born April 23d, baptized May 10th.

13. William White and wife Maria's child Thomas, born March 30th, baptized May 10th.

14. Richard Madgier and wife Sara's child John, born May 3d, baptized May 17th.

15. Mârten Justice and wife Brita's child Lydia, born May 28th, baptized May 30th.

16. Patrick Done and wife Elizabeth's child Susanna, 1 year old, baptized June 14th.

17. Jonas Walraven and wife Maria's child Sara, born June 22d, baptized June 27th.

18. Thomas West and wife Kerstin's child Christina, born June 17th, baptized June 27th.

19. Jesper Walraven and wife Annika's child Jonas, born August 3d, baptized August 9th.

20. John Seed and wife Brita's child Susanna, born August 13th, baptized August 16th.

21. Peter Petersson Canpany and wife Magdalena's child Susanna, born August 12th, baptised August 16th.

22. Elizabeth Bryan's illegitimate child William, 9 months old, baptized August 16th.

23. John Rigth and wife Anna's child Matthias, born August 26th, baptized August 30th.

24. Hindric Kâlsburg and wife Elizabeth's child Maria, born September 5th, baptized September 7th.

25. George Reed and wife Ingeborg's child Lydia, born September 5th, baptized October 2d.

26. Jones Stedham and wife Helena's child Christina, born October 31st, baptized November 8th.

27. Mârten Mârtensson and wife Kerstin's child Anna, 6 weeks old, baptized November 22d.

28. Adam Staal and wife Christina's child Adam, born December 2d, baptized December 6th.

29. Laughlin McLean and wife Anna's child Sara, 3 weeks old, baptized December 10th.

30. John Garritson and wife Elizabeth's child Thomas, some weeks old, baptized December 13th.

31. Brewer Seneke and wife Brita's child Brewer, born February 26th, baptized March 23rd.

BURIALS, 1730.

1. Pastor Herr Magister Samuel Hesselius' wife Brita, buried January 27th.

2. Peter Pâlsson, senior, buried March 28th.

3. Jonas Stalcop, buried April 15th.

4. Christiern Brunberg's child Matthias, buried August 24th.

5. Peter Petersson Canpany's child Helena, buried August 27th.

6. Chrirtiern Brunberg's child John, buried August 29th.

7. Antilli Stalcop's step daughter Elizabeth, buried September 9th.

8. Antilli Stalcop's son Andreas, buried September 15th.

9. Edward Robbesson's wife Elizabeth, buried September 23d.

10. Philip VandeVer's wife Brita, buried November 1st.

A. D. 1730. Pastor Herr Magister Samuel Hessellius received his letter of testimony and recommendation from the English Priests given at their meeting in Philadelphia which reads as follows:

Our most esteemed brother in Christ and reverend (companion) Samuel Hessellius, Master of Arts, also pastor of the Swedish Church on the banks of the river, commonly called Christine, nd returning to his country, by command of the most serene King of Sweden, we, the ministers of the English Church in the province of Pennsylvania, judge him to be specially worthy of these letters of commendation.

*a*We therefore testify, this man of God to have worked through many years faithfully and fearlessly in this transmarine vineyard of the Lord, and to have suffered no detriment of his reputation by report; but, on the contrary since it is a fact that his virtue is worthy of praise. In various cases, the Brother has evinced the highest patience in adverse affairs, and extreme skill in exciting great industry in the propagation of the Gospel. Indeed many wicked ones from among the people. (with shame be it said) have attempted with wonderful boldness from an impulse of envy, to put a stain upon him; but they have been foiled in this envious hope, for the Brother has been publicly cleared from all known causes of complaint.

Wherefore, we earnestly entreat, the leaders and other reverend workers in his ministry, that they may receive and cherish their colleague in the Church of God, as specially worthy of honor from us.

Finally we commend him to the patrons of the venerable society for propagating the Faith; on account of the office of communion, zealously administered to us otherwise deprived thereof, and scattered here and there.

It would be an alleviation to us moreover, that the burden of poverty should be lifted from him. May God grant that our thrice best, greatest and most worthy Protector in Sweden, may remain unharmed and may long be an ornament to the Christian Republic, and when released, may be taken to the Celestial Country, through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ARCHIBALD CUMINGS,
Commissary.
GEORGE ROSS,
Missionary at New Castle.
ROBERT WEYMAN,
Missionary at Oxford.
WALTER HACKET,
Missionary at Appoquinimink.
RICHARD BACKHOUSE,
Missionary at Chester.
JOHN HOLLBROOK,
Missionary at Salem, New Jersey.

a Written in Latin.

Copy of a letter sent from Sweden to the Hon. Patrick Gordon, Governor of Pennsylvania, by Magister Eric Biork and Magister Andrew Hessellius, former Pastor of the church of Christina :

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOR:

We, the ministers of the Church of Sweden, who formerly had the good fortune for many years successively to be missionaries in Pennsylvania, and of officiating both in English and Swedish churches in said province, do beg leave to appear before your Honor in these lines, though coming from unknown hands and a great distance of places.

Whereas it has been reported to us by our Brother, Mr. Samuel Hessellius late Minister of the Swedish church at Christina, in New Castle Co., upon Delaware, that under his straitened circumstances in those parts he has been greatly abused and loaded with many injuries amongst his own parishioners and at last by your Honor's candid and celebrated justice for preserving the unity of the church, by discarding the party designing ill, his good name has been wholly restored to him and he has been protected from his oppressors ; we find ourselves very much obliged to render our most humble thanks to your Honor. We have been likewise informed that your Honor has condescended to the humble request of the said minister, and ordered your Magistrates at New Castle, viz.: Robert Gordon, David French and Wm. Reed Esq., to enquire into certain differences between the said Mr. Hessellius and his congregation, but by the report of the said gentlemen to your Honor, dated New Castle, the 6th of Sept., 1729, we find that, however, the 4th article laid to Mr. Hessellius' charge is proved to be without foundation, yet are we amazed to see by the said article, that one Edward Robinsson has so far broken loose from all obligations to faith and truth, that he upon his solemn oath has denied the plainest matter of fact, viz: That Aaron Johnson's land was bequeathed to the church at Christina, and that after the decease of his wife the whole estate both real and personal was to be taken care of for the use and benefit of the said church. This is a matter of such importance that we cannot overlook it without inexcusable negli-

gence and want of concern for that church formerly under our care since our obligations to her are such as might well naturalize us into the interests of both her spiritual and temporal prosperity. We therefore do now most humbly beseech your Honor that you will be pleased to take cognizance of what we here do presume to transmit to your Honor.

The enclosed paper which is a true copy of those transactions concerning the right and title of Aaron Johnson's land bequeathed to the church, will we hope sufficiently demonstrate that the truth and existence of a lawful will and testament was already fixed and settled long before Edward Robinson made any opposition against. How it came to pass that afterwards several of the members of Christina Church together with their minister Mr. Samuel Hessellius have been thus induced to give up their church's claim is an unaccountable thing to us, unless the original papers which were left in Christina have been suppressed by Edward Robinson, and he the said Edward, by an undue influence over the Churchwardens to trouble and prevent the course of justice, has bargained with the vestry of Christeen to pay that petty sum of £15 for the release of the land.

As for the pretended deed of sale, by which Aaron Johnson's widow is declared to have conveyed the said land to Edward, we solemnly protest against it, not only as an unlawful deed, but as the basest thing in the world that could be devised, both to injure an old crazy woman, and do the greatest spite to the religion of the church of which he the said Edward long before had professed himself a member.

There were indeed some fair attempts made in my (Andrew Hessellius) time, towards regaining that land from whose possession the church has been kept out for several years, but by reason of my return to Sweden it never came to any conclusion, though we had the law so plainly on our side. Now let Edward assert his pretended right as confidently as he please, yet the truth of the matter will most evidently appear by putting this supposition.

Suppose the reverse of a lawful will were solemnly established, and the practice of fraud and perjury and falseness to a man's word were established by a law, we ask now if the case between

a lawful will and an encroachment of fraud and violence on another man's rights were thus altered, would the enjoyment of the fruit of fraud and perjury and breach of trust in process of time make it a lawful possession? If your Honor would be pleased to order the records of New Castle Court to be searched, and the original of Aaron Johnson's will bearing date the 20th of November, 1701, to be produced, you will certainly find the case to be parallel with our supposition, as soon as Edward Robinson shall be forced to produce his pretended deed also, together with other writings concerning his manner of bringing the old woman to an act she never understood or intended, and afterwards disposing of her maintenance upon what terms and conditions he pleased.

But we are aware that somemembers of the church at Christina may yet be unwilling to own the truth concerning Edward Robinson's ways and means of getting the land so soon as he had temptation to take it. We are aware we say that those men who formerly were so forward for the providing and proving the will,that they could not without detestation and abhorrence think of attempting a thing so odious as to go about to take away the properties of the church, are now so far engaged in Edward's interest and so factiously concerned to maintain it that they bend all their wits to justify his wicked doings.

We heartily wish we could clear one of your Magistrates, Charles Springer, from this charge. But that gentlemamn,arried into connection with Edward's family, is too well known as working for the interest of said Edward in this controversy, always making a shift to say something for anything, and some way or other blanching over the blankest and most absurd thing in the world. It is a grievous thing that the principal member of that church, the interest of which by his care and zeal was mightily promoted from the very beginning of it, should now at last be looked upon as an enemy to her peace and happiness and a hinderer of the comfortable support of her minister. Mr. Springer knows very well,if he would be so sincere as to confess it, that Aaron Johnson never intended by his will and testament to lay any injunction upon his relict which should be inconsistent with his endeavor to promote the interest of the church. All he meant was in general to insure the church from that part of his estate,

the mercenary men of business, (such as Edward Robinson seems to be) who act for themselves, and in a few years become creditors to their masters till they have transferred the whole estate to themselves. And this is that master piece of villany we now complain of to your Honor, and thus do we find Edward Robinson to have acted, forswearing himself by telling his untruths so often and averring them with so much confidence that he himself in process of time might have believed that to be true, which his conscience at first condemned as a lie. If this can in any manner mitigate his sin of perjury, we humbly submit it to your Honor's judgment. Edward Robinson is to have his satisfaction for the maintenance of the old gentlewoman, and what care besides for her, from the revenues from the plantation, and not at all by hook and by crook take away the plantation itself for it. He also has forfeited 300£., as will appear by the enclosed bond and obligation. He ought to restore the plantation to Christina Church again, otherwise his sin will never be remitted. Edward Robinson knows very well how I, (Eric Biork), did when I lived in the country and he ought not to upset that.

We have, we are afraid, wearied your Honor in giving you the trouble of reading this tedious account of our church differences in Christeen, and therefore we now conclude with our most humble petition that your Honor would be pleased to take into consideration these matters for the protection of that church, which in comparison with your English churches is as a cottage in a vineyard straitened by the impudence of her enemies both within and without. We humbly apply ourselves to your Honor's wonted practice for retreiving and preserving the church's right, that the enemies of our holy religion may never triumph over any disappointment of its true lovers and zealous promoters and we pray the great God to prosper all your pious undertakings to promote his Glory and the good of his church especially in those remote places of the pilgrimage of

Your Honor's

Dated at Fahlun in Swedland, the 10th of December, 1731

Most humble and obedient Servants,

ERICUS BIORK, Pastor of the church at Fahlun

ANDREW HESSELLIUS, Provost of Gagnef,

a. This was written in English.

Copy of a letter to
the proprietors.

To the Honorable Thomas Penn and Richard Penn Esquires true and absolute Proprietors and Governors of the counties of New Castle, Kent and Sussex upon Delaware and Province of Pennsylvania.

The petition of the Minister, Churchwardens and Vestry-men of the Swedes Lutheran Church, Called Trinity Church, in the Borough of Wilmington.

Most Humbly Sheweth.

That whereas a certain Aaron Jonsson late of Christiana Hundred in the County of New Castle, yeoman deceased in his life time, was seized in his demesne as of fee, of land in one third part in three parts divided, of a certain Island commonly called Bread and Cheese Island, containing about Three Hundred Acres, and also of and in forty-nine acres and fifty-three perches of land, being part of a larger tract called Redeley's Point; both situate in the Hundred and County aforesaid, and being so seized on the third day of January in the year of our Lord 1694, made his last will and Testament in writing duly executed, and thereby divided all his land real and personal to his wife Barbara, and afterwards, to wit, on the twenty-third day of November, An. Dom. 1701, made and published in due form of law a certain codicil to his said will, whereby he gave and bequeathed after his wife's death all his Estate real and personal to the Swede's Church built upon Christina, named Church of the Holy Trinity, which the Reverend Minister Churchwardens successively one after the other were to dispose of to the Honor of God for the said church, etc. thereof being seized. The said Aaron Jonsson soon after departed this life, and the wife of the said Aaron proved his said will and codicil in due manner, and took upon herself the burthen of the execution thereof, as by the same will and codicil and proceedings thereupon remaining in the office of the Register for the probate of wills, and granting letters of administration in and for the county of New Castle, relation being had thereto doth more fully and at large appear.

That the widow and survivor of the aforesaid A. Jonsson entered into the premises and thereof became seized for the term of her

life, and sometime in or about the year 1715, died intestate and without issue or any heir to the knowledge of your petitioners.—Your petitioners further show that they are advised, the church aforesaid, or the minister and congregation thereof cannot hold and enjoy the lands aforesaid as the then ministers and Churchwardens were foreigners and not naturalized, and could have no succession not being incorporated—and also that it is doubted whether the devise to the church aforesaid in manner aforesaid, is such as would be construed a charitable use within the pervieu of the Statute of the 43d Elizabeth, called the Statute of charitable uses.

But your petitioners are a Body Politick and corporate, and have a perpetual succession by virtue of an Act of Assembly of this Government passed the 33rd year of his late Majesty's reign—Entitled an Act to redress the misemployment of lands and stocks of money heretofore given and purchased for the use of the minister of the Swedish Lutheran Church, etc. etc., and thereby are in equity entitled to everything heretofore given for the use of the aforesaid church, and capable of taking a grant for any land for the uses and according to the directions contained in the Act of Assembly aforesaid. Therefore, as it evidently appears to be the clear intention of Arent Johnsson the above named testator, that the aforesaid church should have this whole estate after the death of his wife, and as the same now is either forfeited or escheated to your Honors your petitioners most humbly request that your Honors will be pleased to take the premises into consideration, and cause a patent to issue to your petitioners in their politick capacity for the before mentioned lands of the aforesaid testator, agreeable to his pious and charitable desire expressed in his last will and testament aforesaid, Jan. 1, 1763, and your petitioners will ever pray,

{ SEAL } Signed by the Minister, Churchwardens and Vestrymen February 5th, sent to Wm. Peters the proprietor's secretary with a letter, further showing the nature and to recommend the case, also a letter to Richard Peters that he may influence the proprietors.

Sent February 8th, 1763.

Copy of a letter from the Rev. Mr. Borell to the Rev. Richard Peters of the English Church in Philadelphia.

Dear and Rev. Sir:

As the Body Politick and Corporate of the Swedes Lutheran Church, called Trinity Church, in the Borough of Wilmington and County of New Castle, have applied to Mr. McKean of New Castle, to insinuate their humble petition to their Honors, Thos. and Richard Penn, for granting to them a patent in their politcik capacity for the lands given and bequeathed to the same church, of one Arent Jonsson yeoman deceased, by his last will, and testament in the year 1761, &c., as further, from the said petition doth appear, and whereas, it is intended for such pious and charitable use, permit me dear sir to avail myself of this opportunity to wait on you, and humbly in the name of my congregation to request the favor to represent our most humble petition to their honors in the most favorable light, fully persuaded that your powerful intercession will have the greatest influence on their Honors' mind to the good success of our just petition. And as I retain a very grateful sense of all you shewed to my predecessors and especially to me, this new instance will make your memory dear to the whole congregation and to posterity.

I remain with great truth,

Your affectionate brother and humble servant,

AND' BORELL.

N. B.—Having found these letters among the church papers in the old chest, and as they relate to the same matter as the preceding letters from Sweden, I have inserted them here though of later date, as I find nothing further with regard to the Bread and Cheese Island estate.

H. B.

MARRIAGES, 1731.

1. Thomas Grindall and Eleanor Cook, Governor's license, married January 15th.

2. James Hannelkin and Jane Gelaspy, married January 28th.

3. William Haul and Catharina Mag Curde, (McGurdy) married February 25th.

4. David Bar and Anna More, Governor's license, married March 4th.

5. Tobias Hindricsson and Catharina Homspoker, Governor License, married March 15th.

6. Daniel Moloughny and Margaret Starret, married April 15.

7. Daniel Mickel and Grashon Durnal, married May 20th.

8. Thomas Neal and Susanna Quin, married May 30th.

9. George Linmeyer and Judith Mounsson, Governor's liceuse, married May 30th,

10. William Reity and Mary Hill, married August 1st.

11. John Hill and Sara Price, married August 2nd.

12. Rees Rees and Margaret Green, Governor License, married August 26th.

BAPTISMS, 1731.

1. Gustaf Pâlsson and wife Marget's child Maria, 8 weeks old, baptized January 1st.

2. Israel Robbisson and wife Elizabeth's child Elizabeth, born December 7th, 1730, baptized January 1st.

3. Walraven Walraven and wife Kerstin's child Sara, born January 3d. baptized January 3d,

4. James Fitzsimmon and wife Marget's child Maria, 9 weeks old, baptized January 16th.

5. Wiljam Clenny and wife Maria's child Jane, 2 months old, baptized January 16th.

6. Hans Smith and wife Maria's child Andreas, born January 14th, baptized January 17th.

7. James Senexon and wife Margareta's child James, born Feb. 7th, baptized February 13th.

8. Israel Petersson and wife Marget's child Annika, born Feb. 6th, baptized February 14th.

9. Peter Petersson and wife Annika's child Susanna, born March 4th, baptized March 7th.

10. Carl Cornelius and wife Anna's child Andreas, born March 27th, baptized April 4th.

11. Thomas Clark and wife Annika's child Maria, one month old, baptized August 11th.

12. John Mârten and wife Margareta's child Petrus, born March 28th, baptized April 11th.

13. Gustaf Gustafsson and wife Kerstin's child Gustavus, born April 22nd, baptized April 26th.

14. Pastor Herr Magister Samuel Hessellius and wife Gertrude's child Samuel, born May 23rd, baptized May 29th.

15. Garrit Garritsson and wife Elizabeth's child Anna, born May 16th, baptized May 30th.

16. Peter Tossawa and wife Marget's child Anna, born June 20th, baptized June 27th.

17. Peter Pâlsson and wife Catharina's child Elizabeth, 2 weeks old, baptized July 18th.

18. Matthias Mârtensson and wife Elizabeth's child Thomas, 4 weeks old, baptized July 13th.

19. Robert Robertsson and wife Catharine's child Elizabeth, born August 7th, baptized August 13th.

20. Samuel Lewis and wife Maria's child Wiljam, born May 20th, baptized September 4th.

21. Wiljam Tossawa and wife Maria's child Christina, born September 7th, baptized September 12th.

22. Samuel Mead and wife Anna's child Wiljam, 7 months old, baptized September 12th.

23. Wiljam Andersson and wife Kerstin's child Maria, born October 2nd, baptized October 10th.

24. Jonathan Kirk and wife Maria's child Josua, one year old, baptized October 11th.

25. David Enoch and wife Helena's child Gertrude, 3 weeks old, baptized November 9th.

25. Hendrick Stedham and wife Catharina's child Judith, born November 4th, baptized November 9th.

27. Christopher Springer and wife Chatarine's child Susanna, born November 10th, baptized November 21st.

28. Carl Springer and wife Marget's child Catharina born November 21st, baptized November 22nd.

29. Wiljam Vandever and wife Marget's child Cornelius, born December 1st, baptized December 12th.

30. Carl Morten aud wife Marget's child Maria, about 8 years old, baptized December 12th.

Burials 1731.

1. Andreas Springer buried January 16th.
2. Israel Springer buried January 24th.
3. Sara Meyer buried February 21st.

4. John Pâlsson's wife Sophia, buried June 30th.

5. Hans Petersson Smith's child Reuben, buried July 6th.

6. Robert Robinsson's child Elizabeth, buried August 15th.

7. Pastor Mag. Samuel Hessellius' child Christina buried 21st.

8. Peter Pâlsson's child Andreas, buried September 19th.

9. Rener Kioln's children Jacob and Jonas, buried December 12th.

A. D. 1731—October 11th. At a general meeting of the Church Council it was resolved that Lucas Stedham should have possession of Jonas Stalcop and his wife's pews as Lucas Stedham has bought them of Jonas and gave of his good-will 45 shillings.

October 10th.—The pastor Herr Magister Samuel Hessellius preached his valedictory sermon in the church at Christina and after the close of Divine service the Church Council submitted their names to the following letter to His Royal Majesty in Sweden as follows,

Most Mighty All-gracious King:

No greater favor can a pious authority grant to an expatriated people than your Royal Majesty has graciously accorded to us strangers here in America. We have not lacked whatever has been necessary to our souls culture and welfare more than if we had tarried in our old Fatherland Sweden. Godly books and pious teachers have we time after time by your Royal Majesty been graciously blessed with, so that the people of other denominations here in the country have looked upon us as peculiarly fortunate. May God grant that we may not hereafter miss this great prosperity.

As it was your Royal Majesty's will to call home the pastor of the church at Christina Magister Samuel Hessellius who for 12 years has discharged the office and

duties of pastor over us, he is now about to take his departure for Sweden.

Therefore as members of the Swedish church, we give him the testimony that he has fulfilled his trust faithfully, being zealous for the spreading of the pure evangelical doctrines both near and far, and hardly any one in our judgment could take more in hand and bring it to a better result than he has done.

He has also in his daily life as his position required, conducted in a pious and God-fearing manner, and established a good name and reputation. Moreover we have the opinion that if he could be stationed at a place where tobacco can be cultivated, he might be of much use to the Fatherland, as he has made himself well acquainted here in the parts which it is raised, and has studied its cultivation. We request your Royal Majesty that he may be soon provided with a situation, because he has to provide for a large family, and will with the long and expensive journey come with empty hands to his destined place.

And for this as for all other Royal favours we have nothing to give but earnest prayers to God for your Royal Majesty's welfare, for which we will faithfully implore the great God so long as we have life and breath.

Your Royal Majesty's
most submissive and humble servants,
and faithful intercessors.
Church Council at Christina:

JACOB V VANDEVER, LUCAS STEDHAM,
PHILIP P V VANDEVER, CHRISTEEN BRINBUG,
MOUNS JUSTICE, TIMOTHY T S STEDHAM

Wicacoe:

BENGT BENGTSSON, His B Mark.
GUSTAVUS HESSELLIUS,
GARRET GIRTSSON,
FREDRICK SCHMIDT,
LARS BOOR,
OLLE STILLE, His W Mark.

Raccoon:

BAVID VANNEMAN,
PETER RAMBO,
HINDRIC HINDRICSSON,
MOUNS KEEN,

Penns Neck:

JACOB HINDRICSSON,
AUD BONDE, His B Mark.
WILJAM VANNEMAN,
HENRY PETERSSON, His U Mark.

A letter to the Highworthy Herr Bishop, which the church council subscribed the same day at the church at Christina as follows:

Highworthy Father Herr Doctor and Bishop,
Very gracious patron,

We present to the most worthy Father this our humble writing as a testimony to our pastor in Pennsylvania, in America, over the church at Christina, Magister Samuel Hessellius as to teaching and life. As to his teaching he has God's Holy word plainly and clearly explained and set forth to our entire satisfaction, and administered the Highworthy sacraments in their unfalsified use in accordance with the evangelical teachings. He has none the less been unwearied though it has cost him many laborious journeys also, to deal out God's word among those who were desolate and scattered.

As to his life he has maintained the true character of a Priestman in all respects, and it cannot be doubted that he will in process of time show himself to be pos-

sessed of the good qualities that we have ascribed to him as soon as he shall be promoted to the care of a church in his Fatherland, and now we commit both him and ourselves next to God to the Highworthy Father's protection, with earnest prayers to God for the Highworthy Father's welfare, remaining

The Highworthy Fathers,
Most Humble Servants,
and
Faithful Intercessors.

Church Council at Christeen:

MANS JUSTIS, PHILIP His Λ Mark VAN DE VER,
CHRISTIRN BRINBURG, TIMOTHEUS S STEDHAM,
JACOB His Λ Mark. VAN DE VER,

Wicaooe Church.

BENGT BENGTSSON, His B Mark FREDRICK SCHMIT,
LARS BOOR, GRUNT GER ASSON His X Mark
GUSTAEUS HESSELLIUS, OLLE SILLE, His W Mark.

Raccoon.

DAVID VON NEMEN, PETER RAMBO,
HENRY HINDRICSSON, MOUNS KEEN,

Penn's Neck Church.

JACOB HINDRICSSON, ANDERS BONDE, His B Mark.
WILJIAM VON NEMEN, HENRY PETERSSON, His W Mark.
GARRIT VON NEMEN,

The Rev. Mr. Samuel Hessellius Minister of the Lutheran congregation at Christeen having applied

himself to us the commissary and missionaries in the Province of Pennsylvania for our approbation of his return home without staying any longer for his Bishop's direction for that purpose which direction we find His Majesty of Sweden was graciously pleased to order to be issued out and sent by the first opportunity. We, taking our poor brother's circumstances in consideration and knowing that he has sold his household goods to prepare himself for his voyage and how little encouragement he has to continue here, and we being likewise willing he should pay all possible defference to his Sovereign's Royal mandate which we saw well attested and without reflecting that the Bishop's extreme old age for which it is hard that another should suffer, might be the occasion that the said mandate was not duly executed, or that the Bishop's letter in pursuance of the said order might miscarry, do for these reasons heartily acquiesce in and as far as in us lies, freely approve of the said Mr. Hessellius' leaving these parts in order to enjoy the kind intentions of his Royal Prince's express command to his Right Reverend Bishop, assuring ourselves that his conduct in this particular cannot offend any save those who do not desire to see him preferred according to his merit and virtue. And that we do more cheerfully agree to, for that the brethren the Swedish missionaries here have engaged themselves not to have his congregation desolate in the interval betwixt his departure and the arrival of his successor, and now recommending him to the protection of Almighty God, we beg that the most favoroble construction may be put upon his going home, though in every circumstance it be not so strictly regular as he himself could wish it were; and we pray also that the Honorable Society for propagation of the Gospel, etc. in whose service he has

labored more than all his predecessors and that with success and applause would honour our worthy Brother with the usual marks of their favour and regard. Given under our hands at Philadelphia the first day of November A. D., 1731.

GEORGE ROSS, Missionary at New Castle.
ARCHIBALD CUMMINGS, Commissary.
WALTER HACKET, Missionary at Appoquinimink,
RICHARD BACKHOUSE, Missionary at Chester.
WILLIAM BECKET, Missionary at Lewes.

BAPTISMS, 1732.

1. Timotheus Stedham and wife Elizabath's child Marget, born December 1st, baptized December 2nd.

2. Samnel Fandric and wife Annika's child Maria, December 1st, baptized same day.

3. Cornelius Ket and wife Marick's child Judith, born November 1st, baptized January 1st.

4. Jacob Stille and wife Rebecca's child Seth, born Jannary 16th, baptized January 30th.

5. Peter Hindricsson and wife Anna's child Johan, born December 16th, baptized December 30th.

5. Jacob Rogis and wife Johanna's children Johanne's and Cornelius, born January 7th, baptized January 14th.

6. Johannes Springer and wife Maria, born January 18th, baptized January 31st.

6. James Senneckson and wife Margaret Werdman's child Henry born May 4th.

7. John Seed and wife Brita's child Nicklos, born January 30th, baptized January 31st.

8. Lucas Stedham and wife Ingeborg's child Ingeborg, born March 25th.

9. Peter Andersson and wife Kerstin's child Catharina, born January 16th, baptized March 26th.

10. Peter Classon and wife Walborg's child Israel, born April 7th, baptized April 23rd.

11. John Sennexen and wife Ingeborg's child Sara, born March 22nd.

12. Regner Culen and widow Annika's child William, born March 15th, baptized April 23rd.

13. Hance Petersson and wife Catharina's child, Jonas, born April 12th, baptized April 23rd.

14. Jonas Stedham and wife Helena's child Zacharias, born February 20th, baptized March 26.

15. James Fitzsimmons and wife Margaretta's child Elizabeth, born April 11th, baptized April 23rd.

16. Marten Justafsson and wife Brigitta's child Annika, born July 17th, baptized 3rd Sunday after Trinity.

17 Mâns Gustafsson and wife Catharina's child Mâns, born July 14th, baptized 9th Sunday after Trinity.

18. Joseph Springer and wife Annika's child, Charl born September 3rd, baptized September 18th.

19. Jacob Vandever Jr. and wife Maria's child Petrus, born May 11th, baptized May 20th.

20. Robert Robinsson and wife Catharina's child Eleonore, born May 2nd, baptized May 4th.

21. Charles Philips and wife Ann's child Susanna, born October 10th, baptized December 31st.

22. Henrick Colesberg and wife Elizabeth's child Elizabeth, born October 1st, baptized October 14th.

23. Samuel Petersson and wife Christina's child Sara, born July 26th, baptized June 1st.

The King's Commission to Hon. John Eneberg, read in Christina church the tenth Sunday after Trinity, 1733, by Mr. Falk :

We, Friedrich by God's grace, King of the Swedes, Goths, and Vends ; Grand Duke of Finland, Duke of Skâne, Estland, Lifland, Carsland, Bremen, Werden, Stetin, Pommern, Cassuben and Wenden, Prince of Rugen, Lord of Ingermanland and Wismae, Count of Rhein in Beyern, Duke of Hesse, Prince of Hirchfelt, Earl of Catzen Ellenbogen, Dietz, Ziegenhagen, Widda and Schaumburg.

Be it known that as to the Swedish Christina Congregation in Pennsylvania it is intended to order a soul-carer and thereto in accordance with the representation of those concerned therein that Johan Enneberg is one of whom they have proof of his fitness for that charge. Therefore, we will herewith, and with the force of this our open letter, commission and graciously have ordained him Johan Enneberg to be Pastor of the above mentioned church at Christina, in Pennsylvania, according to the call presented by the said congregation to him. That all who are concerned may surely be informed. I have this subscribed with my own hand and with our Royal seal let be sealed.

Stockholm, July 4, A. D. 1732.

FRIEDRCIH.

{ L. S. }

I. W. CEDERCRAUT,

In Eneberg's time.

BAPTISMS, 1733.

1. Jesper Walraven and Annika's children, Tobias and Anders, born January 4, baptized January 8.

2. Walla Walraven and wife Kerstin's child Jonas, born February 5, baptized February 18.

3. Thomas Willing and wife Cathrina's child Rebecca, born February 8, baptized February 18.

4. Anders Hindricsson and wife Maria, Johan, born March 15, baptized March 18.

5. Israel Robinson and wife Elizabeth's child Maria, born February 25, baptized March 18.

6. Peter Petersson Canpany and wife Magdalena's child Andreas, born April 10th, baptized April 15th.

7. Jonathan Kirk and wife Maria's child Abigail, 5 months old, baptized May 27th.

8. Johan Bann, married a man, and Kerstin Mân's illegitimate child Johan, baptized May.

9. Gustaf Pâlson and wife Margareta's child Margareta, born May 20th, baptized June 3d.

10. John Seed and wife Brita's child Samuel, born July 1st baptized July 29th.

11. Olle Andersson and wife Kerstin's child Sara, born June 7th, baptized June 17th.

12. Marten Martensson and wife Kerstin's child Cornelius, born July 1st, baptized August 15th.

13. Peter Petersson, over Brandywine, child Andreas, born September 5th, baptized September 9th.

14. Hindrick Stedham and wife Gertrude's child Abraham, born September 25th, baptized September 31st.

15. Johan Mâsten and wife Marget's child Ledi, born September 3d, baptized October 7th.

16. Brewer Seneke and wife Brita's child Maria, born October 5th, baptized October 7th.

17. James Springer and wife Maria's child Darkis, born October 17th, baptized October 21st.

18. Jonas Stedham and wife Helena's child Ingeborg, born October 14th, baptized October 28th.

19. Robert Robersson and wife Catharina's child Robert born November 11th, baptized December 2d.

20. Philip Vandever and wife Kerstin's child Susanna, born December 4th, baptized December 16th.

21. Peter Pâlsson and wife Catharina's child Kerstin, born December 19th, baptized December 23d.

22. Jacob Hein's son Nicklas, born November 1st, baptized December 25th.

23. Peter Andersson's child Brita, born November 1st, baptized November 25th.

24. Johan Stalcop and wife Maria's child Johan, born December 19th, baptized December 27th.

A. D. 1733, June 24th.—There was a Parish meeting and the following matters were considered:

1. Counted the church money.

2. Elected the Church Council; Mr. Springer, (who may remain for the rest of his life), Martin and Mâns Justis,

Philip Vandever, Lucas Stedham and Hendrick Colesberg.

3. Jonas Walraven and Olle Tossowa were chosen Churchwardens.

4. Anders Gustafsson was chosen sexton at a salary of one shilling for each family.

5. Repairing the church on the north side and the windows which need repair.

6. That for each corpse buried in the churchyard, not being a member of the congregation, there shall be charged 4 shilling, 6 pence, and the pastor shall have in addition his usual pay for his services, and the sexton is ordered not to admit any corpse into the church yard without the knowledge of the pastor.

7. Simon, at Brandywine ferry, must pay for two bodies interred in the churchyard, viz: 9 shillings, which Mr. Springer promised to empower the Churchwardens to collect for the church income.

8. That William Klenny should pay me for the burial of Samuel Stedham's son and for Asmund Stedham's burial, 9 shillings.

9. As to my salary, that it ought to be paid in two half yearly payments, May and November, at the session of the court at New Castle.

10th. Mr. Springer offered to collect this year's salary for me.

N. B.—These two points, to receive my salary at the New Castle sessions, and Mr. Springer to be collector, were not presented, for the reason that I understood that the congregation were not satisfied that I should have my salary in advance, as I had asked for the past year, so I concluded to ask for my salary at the end of the year, and announce from the pulpit on the Sunday before the November session, that I did not ask for any salary

before the due time. Notwithstanding it had been resolved and consented to at the Parish meeting of the 24th of January that it should come in at the session, for the reason that all had not paid me for the year I left Philadelphia when the Christina congregation had no pastor.

And so I will let the congregation show its willingness to pay me without burdening Mr. Springer.

Jonas Walraven and Olle Tossawa resigned as Churchwardens after serving two years, and Anders Hindricsson's Son and Peter Petersson Jr., took their places May 1st, 1735, and served one year, till Ascension day 1736, when Jacob Stille and Garrit Garritsson were chosen.

Jonas Walraven's accounts with the church during his two years of office were given in with the receipt of Alexander Hooge the carpenter for 5£, for work done on the north roof of the church, which had been paid by Walraven.

Also Olle Tossawa's accounts which were deposited in the church chest.

A. D. 1737, May 30th, which was the 2nd day of Pentecost, Hans Piettersson was chosen Churchwarden in place of Garrit Garritsson, and Elias King in the place of Jacob Stille on the 14th of June, whose expenses are to come out of the interest coming into the church, and the same day Anders Loinam was appointed sexton at a salary of 50 shillings to be paid out of the rent due the church from the Old Land.

June 17th. Mârten Justis resigned as Churchwarden, and Hans Smith was chosen in his place.

BURIALS, 1733.

1. Peter Classon, February 22, buried February 25.

2. Peter Pâlsson's son, Paulus Pâlsson, died February 27, buried March 1.

BURIALS, 1734.

1. Widow Maria Brown, died February 23, buried February 24.
2. Pâl Pâlsson's daughter Rebecca, died February 27, buried 28.
3. Peter Pâlsson's daughter, died February 10, buried February 11.
4. Elizabeth Garritson, died March 13, buried March 18.
5. Garritson's weakly child died March 22, buried March 24.
6. Carl Cornelius' weakly daughter, died July 17, buried July 18.
7. Josef Springer's son Andreas, died July 17, buried July 18,
8. Mârtin Mârtins' son, buried September 26.
9. Samuel Petersson's daughter, buried October 9.
10. Johan Stalcop's son Tobias, buried December 2.
11. Christopher Stedham's child.
12. Henrick.

BURIALS, 1735.

1. Christopher Stedham's child.
2. Israel Justis' child.
3. Henrick Stedham's wife, buried October 21.

BURIALS, 1736.

1. Cornelius Ja Quett's widow's little daughter, buried Febary 26.
2. Charles Springer Jr.'s child, buried March 7.
3. John Stalcop's eldest daughter, buried April 19.
4. Charles Cornelius' son, buried Jan. 7.
5. Mârtin Mârtin's little daughter, buried July 6.
6. Olle Walraven, buried August 4.
7. Peter Andersson's child, August 28.
8. Jonathan Stille's little daughter, October 5.

BURIALS, 1737.

1. Peter Petersson's wife, (over Brandywine), January 4.
2. William's child, May 4.
3. Anders Gustafsson's wife, buried January 27.
4. Adam and Jacob Vandever.
5. James Springer's child, died May 25.
6. Susanna Vandever.
7. 2 of Peter Petersson's children.
8. 2 of Samuel Frederick's girls, of dysentery.
9. Samuel Petersson's child.

BURIALS, 1738.

1. Elizabeth Stedham, buried March 6.
2. John Mârten's son, buried March 12.
3. Carl Christopher Springer, died May 26 and was buried May 28, 80 years old.
4. Robert Robertson, died August 22.
5. William Vandever's child, buried August 22.
6. Peter Andersson's buried October 11.
7. Bille Vandever's 2nd child.
8. Jesper Classon, Jr., buried December 15.

1739.

1. Margareta Petersson, died January 1, buried January 3.
2. Gustaf Justis, struck dead by ligtning in his owu house, May 10, buried May 12.
3. Margaretta Jones.
4. Hiudrick Stedham's two sons.
5. Olle Tossawa's son, died October 7th.
6. William Vandever, died Octoder 12th.
7. Kirsten Schaffenhauser, died November 15th.
8. Jacob Vandever, died November 16th.
9. Peter Pâlsson's wife, died November 18th.
10. Lars Petersson, 77 years old, died November 21st.

BURIALS 1740.

1. Olle Pâlsson, buried March 12th.
2. Stina Vandever. buried May 11th.
3. Peter Pâlsson's second child.
4. John Vanneman, killed by a weight falling on him, buried October 4th.
5. Hans Smith's little daughter, buried October 18th.
6. Ingeborg Read, buried October 30th.
7. Hans Smith's little son, buried November 16th.
8. Christopher Linmeyers's wife, buried November 25th.

BURIALS 1741.

1. Anders Loinan's wife, 61 years, buried September 2d.
2. Mârten Mârten's son, buried March 2d.
3. John Mârten's daughter, buried March 10th.
4. Andrew Hâka's little daughter, buried April 13th.
5. John Mârten's wife, buried May 12th.

MARRIAGES 1733.

1. Richard Morrison and Catharine Owen, married April 4th.
2. William Boulding and Elizabeth Potts, Governor's License, married April 4th.
3. William Pettersson and Margaretta Feer, married Jan. 5th.
4. John Owen and Lille Hughston, married January 10th.
5. Humphrey Bates, and Margery Morlhousen, married January 27th.
6. Eleizer Meyer and Marte Braun, married October 25th.
7. Nathaniel Carter and Anna Macfersson, married December 15th.

N.B.—All these are English.

MARRIAGES 1734.

1. Reynold Baudin and Maria Catharine Barrel, married February 26th.
2. William Gavin and Briget Canady, married April 23d.
3. James Armstrong and Mary Bird, married April 25th.
4. Francis Simonson and Jenny Coulter, married May 10th.
5. James Stoane and Mary Cowper, married June 14th.
6. Benjamin Williams and Anna Mannely, married June 19th.
7. Titus Early and Mary Aàr, married August 2nd.
8. Henry Damsel and Sara Nâdger, married August 11th.
9. John Whipple and Elizabeth Karlin, married September 9th.
10. John Degunn and Helena Price, married September 23d.
11. Thomas Chambell and Christina Ja Quett, married September 26th.
12. John Fletcher and Helena Heinman, married October 12th.
13. Thomas Measor and Elizabeth Teeth, married Oct. 14th.
14. Thomas Clark and Catharina Tossawa, married Oct. 27th.
15. John Ja Quette and Christina Stedham, married November 1st.
16. Robert Gordon and Pernilla Battel, married November 9th.
17. William Clark and Sara White, married November 14th.
18. Jacob Skute and Martha Turner, married November 21st.
19. James Bayley and Mary MacDaniel, married December 21st.
20. William Penn and Margaret Breyen, married December 26th.
21. Zacharias Kittel and Christine Justis, married December 26th.

MARRIAGES, 1735.

1. John Moore and Ann Robison, married January 16th.
2. John Day and Mary Markham, married January 30th.
3. Samuel Simmons and Jane Hamilton, married February 6th.
4. Martin Hjus (Hughs) and Mary Jinkins, married February 15th.
5. John Evans and Rebecca Ley, married February 28.
6. Thomas Walker and Elizabeth Delany, married March 24th.
7. James Macgrau and Mary Dix, married March 25th.
8. Samuel Means and Grissel Ogle, married April 10th.
9. Jonathan Stille and Magdalena Vandever, married April 17th.
10. Samson Thomas and Hester Certain, married April 20th.
11. Garrit Garrisson and Mary Baudwin, married May 13th.
12. Asmond Stedham and Kerstin Hindricksdotter, married May 14th.
13. Wiljam Didrickson and Maria Petersson, married June 11th.
14. Moses Harper and Elizabeth Farlow, married July 6th.
15. James Mackmullen and Mary Mackdonald, married July 15th.
16. Edward Sergeant and Jane Read, married August 4th.
17. Denis Mackginley and Elsa Mackkarty, married August 10th.
18. John Robinson and Jeanet Mortol, married September 2nd.
19. Thomas Long and Martha Thatcher, married September 8th.
20. Elias King and Annika Tussey, (Tossawa) married October 22nd.
22. Anders Hindricsson and Kerstin Andersson, married December 3rd.
23. Jonas Andersson and Brita Loinan, married in my absence by Mr. Ross in New Castle, November 19th.
24. John Flintham and Abigail Green, married December 20th.
25. Neal Obiyan and Rachel Thomas. married December 24th.
26. John Poor and Mary Holoway. married December 25th.

BAPTISMS, 1734.

1. Hans Petersson and wife Chatrina's daughter Helena, born January 12th, baptized January 20th.

2. Caroli Springer and wife Marget's son Edward, born January 24th, baptized January 27th.

3. Pouel Poulsen and wife Magdalena's daughter Rebecca, born February 12th, baptized February 16th.

4. Christopher Springer and wife Catharine's son Solomon, born February 7th, baptized February 17th.

5. Garrit Garritssen and wife Elizabeth's daughter Maria, born March 6th, baptized March 10th.

6. William Vandewer and wife Marget's daughter Marget, born March 22nd, baptized March 24th.

7. John Seneck and wife Ingeborg's daughter Anna, born March 5th, baptized March 31st.

8. Mathew Morten and wife Bette's son Jacob, born February 17th, baptized March 31st.

9. James Seneck and wife Marget's son John, born April 17th, baptized April 21st.

10. Hans Georg Smith and wife Marias son Ericus, born May 31st, baptized June 3rd.

11. Peter Hendrickson and wife Anna's son Peter, born June 23rd, baptized June 30th.

12. Carl Cornelius and wife Nanne's daughter Elizabeth, born June 22nd, baptized June 30th.

13. Joseph Springer and wife Annika's son Andreas, born September 10th, baptized September 13th.

14. George Read and wife Ingeborg's son Charles, born September 24th, baptized September 29th.

15. Anders Polson and wife Elizabeth's son Andreas, born September 25th, baptized November 10th.

16. Henrick Colesburg and wife Bette's son Jacob, born October 29th, baptized November 10th.

17. Israel Peterson and wife Margaretta's son Jonas, born November 9th, baptized November 15th.

18. James Mechaslin and wife Annika's son James, born May 25th.

19. William Tossa and wife, Mary Shapenhoise's Sarah, born March 8th.

BAPTISMS, 1735.

1. William Cleneay and wife Maria's daughter Sarah, born December 14, 1735, baptized January 4th.

2. Samuel Peterson and wife Christina's daughter Susanna, born January 1st, baptized January 12th.

3. Walraven Walraven and wife Kirsten's daughter Elizabeth, born January 7th, baptized January 12th.

4. Timothei Stedham and wife Elizabeth's son Timotheus, born January 11th, baptized January 12th.

5. Robert Robinson and wife Catharina's daughter Anna, born February 16th, baptized February 23rd.

6. Olle Tusse and wife Maria's daughter Sara, born March 8th, baptized March 15th.

7. Henrick Stedham and wife Catharina's son Jacob, born March 17th, baptized March 23rd.

8. Rienold Baudin and wife Maria Chatrina's son Johan, born in March, baptized long Friday.

9. Pafuel Gustafson, (over Brandywine) son Joseph, more than a year old, baptized April 20th.

10. Joseph Pears and wife Mari's son Timotheus, born February 18th, baptized April 27th.

11. Hans Peterson and wife Elizabeth's (over Brandywine) son Johan, born March 22nd, baptized April 27th.

12. Jonas Stedham and wife Helena's son Johan, born January 2nd, baptized January 8th.

13. Andrew Hendrickson and wife Maria's son Israel, born June 8th, baptized June 15th.

14. Pafuel Pauelson and wife Magdalena's son Pafuel, born June 9th, baptized July 13th.

15. Israel Robesson and wife Elizabeth's son Joseph, born May 30th, baptized July 13th.

16. James Springer and wife Maria's son Charles, born August, baptized August 31st.

17. Ole Anderson and wife Kerstin's son James, baptized September 7th.

18. Carl Cornelii and wife Manni's son Samuel, born September 22d, baptized September 28th.

19. Peter Anderson and wife Kerstin's daughter Elizabeth, born October 7th, baptized October 19th.

20. Joseph Springer and wife Annika's daughter, born November 9th, baptized and called Beata November 22d.

21. William Didrickson and wife Maria's daugther Catharina, born November 22d, baptized November 26th.

22. Brewer Seneck and wife Brita's son James, born November 26th, baptized November 30th.

23. John Sead and wife Brita's son William, born October 1st, baptized November 23d.

24. Peter Polson and wife Catharina's son Ole, born December 4th, baptized December 14th.

BAPTISMS, 1736.

1. James Mechaslin and wife Annika's daughter Kethi, born January 1st, baptized January 3d.

2. Peter Petersson Conpony and wife Magdelena's daughter Anna, baptized January 11th.

3. Morten Morten and wife Kerstin's daughter Susanna, born November, 1736, baptized January 8th.

4. Asmund Stedham and wife Kerstin's son Samuel, born January 14th, baptized February 8th.

5. Timotheus Stedham and wife Catharina's daughter Sara, born February 5th, baptized February 8th.

6. Hans Petersson and wife Catharina's son Petrus, born February 15th, baptized February 22d.

7. Walraven Walraven and wife Kerstin's son Johan, born February 27th, baptized February 29th.

8. Jonathan Stilley and wife Magdalena's daughter Rebecca, born January 23d, baptized February 29th.

9. William Vandever and wife Marget's daughter Catharina, born February 13th, baptized February 29th.

10. John Degnen and wife Helena's daughter Maria, born January 27th, baptized March 14th.

11. James Anderson and wife Brita's daughter Maria, born February 15th, baptized March 14th.

12. John Seneck and wife Ingeborg's daughter Catharina, born February 8th, baptized March 21st.

13. Robert Robesson and wife Câtharina son Israel, born March 31st, baptized April 11th.

14. Christiern Brynberg and wife Maria's son Matthew, born March 22d, baptized April 26th.

15. James Seneck and wife Marget's son James, born April 17th, baptized April 26th.

16. Garrit Garritsson and wife Maria's daughter Rebecca, born April 19th, baptized April 26th.

17. Gustaf Polsen and wife Marget's daughter Susanna.

18. Christopher Springer and wife Catharina's son Abraham, born April 25th, baptized May 16th.

19. Johannes Springer and wife Maria's son Joseph, born March 28th, baptized May 23d.

20. Morten Justis and wife Brita's son Johan, born May 26th, baptized May 30th.

21. Zacharias Didrickson, Jr. and wife Sara's son William, born June 4th, baptized June 13th.

22. Reinold Baudwin and wife Catharina's son Jacob, born June 13th, baptized June 20th.

23. John Von Niemen and wife Beata's son Johan, born December 11th, baptized December 25th.

24. Peter Petersson, Jr., and wife Annika's son Samuel, born December 23d, baptized December 25th.

25. Thomas Bord and wife Anna's daughter Anna, 2 years old; father ran away.

26. William Tossa and wife Mary's son Frederick, born December 23d.

MARRIAGES 1736.

1. Henrick Stedham and Margury Owens, by Mr. Backhouse, married January 8th.

2. James Lownes and Mattie Willey, license, married January 20th.

3. Augustine Pasmore and Judith Farlon, published, married January 22nd.

4. Joseph Bond and Susanna Cloud, published, married January 22nd.

5. Archibald Campbell and Marrian Karnage, married February 11th.

6. Charles Hedges and Mary Stilly, married February 12th.

7. James Cove and Isabel Kranston, published, married February 26th.

8. John Coln and Maria Pears, married March 28th.

9. William Gregory and Marget Lowe, married April 16th.

10. William Brown and Martha Dunn, married April 16th.

11. Jacob Harper and Sarah Hendrickson, married May 5th.

12. Samuel Hooton and Ann Goodbody, married May 8th.

13. Jonas Robertson and Rebecca Clenny, married May 19th.

14. James Flyed and Elizabeth Tobe, married June 6th.

15. John Martin and Judith Knight, published, married June 14th.

16. Benjamin Clark and Elizabeth Robinson, married June 28th.

17. Aaron Deveney and Margaret Huerde, married July 26th.

18. Samuel Richie and Lydia Linvel, married August 10th.

19. Alexander Newden and Mary Tuckney, married August 10th.

20. Thomas Gregg and Esther Preis, married August 23rd.

21. Erasmus Morten and Ruth Roman, married August 29th.

22. Johannas Springer and Mary Demsy, married August 31st.

23. William Clark and Mary Freeman, married September 4th.

24. John Sprus and Lydia Clayton, married September 14th.

25. Jeremiah Stârdger and Martie Wins, married September 14th.

26. ThollyMiller and MaryMackfadien, married September 19th

27. John Halloer and Mary Griffis, married September 29th.

28. John Vandever and Mary Justice, married September 30th.

29. John Michel and Jane Noels, married October 3rd.

30. John Youngblood and Hannah Morsley, married October 25th.

31. William Baxter and Elizabeth Miner, married October 29th.

32. Fenly Mackgreio and Elizabeth Lauris, married November 3rd.

33. William Green and Catherine Forkinear, married November 8th.

34. Thomas Brunton and Mary Leech, married November 8th.

35. David Black and Rachel Harris, married November 15th.

36. Elias Barns and Elizabeth Giarge, married November 27th.
37. Richard Graham and Hannah Kathi, married December 13.
38. Richard Groudt and Sarah Goun, married December 26th.
39. Joseph Jackson and Mali Vandever, marrried December 27th.

MARRIAGES 1737.

1, Elias Tossa and Christina King, married January 5th.
2. Charles Stedman and Johanna Lawell, married February 3rd.
3. Thomas Anderson and Mary Winey, married April 12th.
4. Thomas Miner and Jane Wilson, married April 12th.
5. Francis Onayle and Anna Walker, married May 8th.
6. William Ford and Anna Ford, married May 9th.
7. John Creid and Anna Maken, married May 30th.
8. John Curtlo and Anna Wansford, married June 7th.
9. John Haedges and Mary Baid, married June 12th.
10. James Eldrich and Sarah Poil, married June 16th.
11. John Musgrave and Mary Braun, married June 18th.
12. John Justis and Kirstin Waraven, married July 30th.
13. Robert Skreen and Mary Baterten, married August 21st.
14. Conrad Garretson and Mary Johnson, married September 8th.
15. John Greer and Mary Blair, married September 26th.
16. David Nilson and Charity Peters, married September 29th.
17. Robert Babber and Catharine Tussy, married September 29th.
18. Owen Kynler and Sarah Weili, married October 10th.
19. John Crasher and Anna Curry, married November 26th.
20. Justas Justis and Susanna Stilley, married December 1st.
21. Peter Peterson and Brita Morten, married November 24th.
22. John Stefenson and Jane Thomson, married December 1st.
23. Michel Higgins and Frances Henrickson, married December 11th.
24. Peter Stalcop and Susanna Palson, married December 15th.
25. Thomas Wilsen and Susanna Farker, married December 20th.
26. William Stewart and Mary Broom, married December 20th

MARRIAGES 1738.

1. Henry Lane and Hannah Kay, married New Year's Eve.

2. Joseph Williamson and Hannah Hays, married January 4th.

3. Arthur Lattimon and Rebecca Whiteside, married January 10th.

4. John Mahan and Jane Frey, married January 17th.

5. Benjamin King and Bathi Beheskei, married January 22nd.

6. Henry Maddock and Rebecca Sandelands, married February 8th.

7. Eliha Barow and Rachel Hollensoth, married February 12th.

8. Griffith Minshall and Sarah Minshall, married March 20th.

9. David Asbon and Catharina Walson, married April 3rd.

10. Jacob Yungblood and Mary Welsh, married April 10th.

11. Thomas Evans and Debora Harlin, married April 19th.

12. John Ford and Elizabeth Sincock, married April 24th.

13. John Gray and Barbara Boals, married May 15th.

14. William Stennop and Nannie Vainam, married May 20th.

15. Joseph Simpson and Margaret Evans, married June 2nd.

16. Joseph Walter and Jane Branton, married June 6th.

17. Cornelius Vandever and Marget Morton, married June 26th

18. John Nicklin and Sarah Nicklin, married August 3rd.

19. Mathiew Huston and Lydy Key, married August 6th.

20. John Tremble and Mary Langly, married August 23rd.

21. Bryan Macginnie and Sara Jones, married August 28th.

22. William Stoby and Nannie Gofard, married September 12th.

23. Bryan Culen and Sara Kelly, married October 12th.

24. Samuel Bane and Mary Brounfield, married October 2nd.

25. Michel Farlow and Mary White, married November 23rd.

26. Adolph Wulback and Catharina Vandever, married December 14th.

27. Andreas Stilly and Catharina Stalcop, married December 21st.

28. John Hedges and Susanna Hendrickson, married December 20th.

29. Peter Vandever and Margareta Hoppman, married December 28th.

MARRIAGES 1739.

1. Peter Anderson and Catharina Leina, married January 10th.
2. William Weily and Catharina Farlou, married February 5th.
3. James Robinson and Elizabeth Kiabbin, married February 6th.
4. James Nealy and Sarah MacMullin, married February 12th.
5. Abram Barnet and Elizabeth Chiafin, married March 1st.
6. Thomas Turner and Beata Justis, married April 4th.
7. Thomas Didrick and Eleanora Garron, married April 23rd
8. Thomas Jefferis and Cathreen Baldon, married May 6th.
9. John Isac and Eleanor Connelly, married May 14th.
10. Andrew Chalmers and Isabella Loftus, married May 14th.
11. Nater Raserman and Francis Macksen, married May 21st.
12. William Jones and Mary Branton, married May 28th.
13. Dennis Whealon and Anna Tounsen, married June 4th.
14. Christopher Hendricksson and Mary Robinson, married June 11th.
15. John Branden and Malii Cathi, married June 11th.
16. Edmund Burk and Rachel Howard, married June 25th.
17. Abraham Ford and Jane Ferris, married July 15th.
18. William Young and Susanna Boyd, married August 1st
19. Richard Buffington and Anna Morgan, married August 5th.
20. William Morgan and Anna Buffington, married August 5th.
21. Joseph Jaley and Letes Graims, married August 12th.
22. James Townsen and Sara Ward, married August 13th.
23. Moses Carshin and Jane Knochs, married August 20th.
24. Hugh Kirgian and Catharine Onail, married October 14th.
25. David Pouel and Elizabeth Chatson, married October 24th.
26. John Casper Lambert and Mary Snekins, married November 19th.

27. James House and Mary Wright, married November 25th.
28. Dan Beeby and Ann Tilton married December 4th.
29. Hugh Hallanger and Becky Henderson, married December 19th.
30. James Thompson and Hanna Armstong, married December 24th.
31. Robert Green and Anna Moore, married December 25th.

MARRIAGES IN 1740.

1. James Brucks and Mary Black, married February 1st.
2. Jacob Lachaerd and Mary Cunningham, married March 10th.
3. William Woods and Martha Macleclan, married March 25th
4. William Brown and Christina Mounson, married April 2d.
5. Ralph Williams and Martha Maccalshonder, married April 17th.
6. Arthur Donnelly and Mary Maccdade, married April 21st.
7. Thomas Wade and Anna Milleson, married April 28th.
8. John Crosby and Eleanor Culin, maried May 6th.
9. John Read and Hannah Belis, married May 11th.
10. Peter Sigfreedus Alrich and Susanna Stidham, married May 25th.
11. Richard Robinson and Susanna Justis, married May 27th.
12. Joseph Williamson and Judith Corner, married May 25th.
13. David Sharpless and Persilla Powel, married June 12th.
14. Peter Didrickson and Margareta Stilly, married June 19th.
15. Thomas Minshall and Jane Lalshield, married September 20th.
16. Joseph Tarrington and Jane Cooper, married November 2nd.
17. Anders Stiddom and Catharina Keen, married November 11th.
18. John Maccleny and Jane Dads, married November 12th.
19. Thomas Ives and Rachel Brawn, married November 24th.
20. George Stroud and Elizabeth Cleaton, married December 7th.
21. Christopher Flinn and Rebecca Hossy, married December 26th.

MARRIAGES IN 1741.

1. Timotheus Steddom and Maria Vandever, married January 1st.
2. Nicol Bishop and Hester Smith, married January 1st.
3. Edward Seed and Abigail Buffington, married January 1st.
4. William Smith and Anne Lowry, married January 12th.
5th. Michael Morgan and Mary Buffington, married February 11th.
6th. John Welsh and Elizabeth Scott, married February 25th.
7. Henry Spragg and Elizabeth Lowry, married February 26.
8. Isaac Stroud and Sara Baker, married March 8th.
9th. Henry Simonson and Sussanna Tarrat, married March 9th.
10. John Wade and Martha Didrich, married March 27th.
11. James Biard and Jane Ross, married April 20th.
12. David Dutton and Mary Lind, married May 4th.
13. Myles Sweeney and Eleanor Champbell, married May 20th.
14. John Lawrence and Elizabeth Edwards, May 23d.
15. John Murphy and Catharine Spruce, married May 26th.
16. Joseph Been and Persanna Ellis, married May 29th.
17. James Milnor and Ester Vernon, married June 24th.
18. Joseph Brooks and Jane Deeble, married July 22nd.

Whereas, at a general meeting held the 6th day of January, 1735–6, by the minister, John Eneberg, the vestrymen and majority of Christina congregation, it was concluded and made choice of, that Charles Springer Esq. and Henry Colesberg chosen Churchwardens for to lease out lots for the use of the church and ministers, according to the deed bearing date of the 18th of May, in the year 1703, and moreover, we have made choice of our trusty Timothy Stedham to be an assistant unto the above said persons.

Signed by us Vestrymen,

JOHN ENEBERG,

His
TIMOTHY T S. STEDHAM,
Mark.

His
PHILIP P V VANDEVER,
Mark.

MOUNS JUSTIS,

His
MORTON M. JUSTIS,
Mark.

WALRAVEN WALRAVEN,

After his death Henry Colesberg.

The following members have bought pew rooms:

2. Jonas Walraven paid for his pew to the church 25 shil., his wife bought a pew room of Augustine for 2s shil., according to annexed receipt.

Henry Vandever has bought his pew for 30 shil.

Hans Petersson has paid for his pew room 35 shil.

Hans Petersson has bought for his wife a pew room from Peter Petersson according to a showed receipt 30s.

Hans Smith has with the consent of the pastor, Mr. Springer, Tim Stedham and both of the churchwardens, bought a pew room from the widow of Jacob Clemmets in the fifth pew for his wife and heirs, and paid therefor to the church 50 shil., which was done the 7th of June, 1737, and the money therefor handed to the churchwardens.

Elias King has bought for himself and his heirs with the consent of the pastor and the members present at a general parish meeting, the first pew on the south side, and handed the money 3£ to the churchwarden Hans Petersson, for the use of the church.

RECORD OF BAPTISMS IN CHRISTINA, WITH THE NAMES OF THE PARENTS, 1737

1. Olle Tassa and his wife Maria's child Fredrick, born the 24th of December 1736, baptized the 2nd of January.

2. Samuel Fudrie and his wife Nanny's daughter, born 21st of January, baptized the 23rd of January.

3. Henrick Colesburg and his wife Elizabeth's son Swen, born the 27th of December 1736, baptized the 6th of March 1737.

4. John Stalcop and his wife Maria's child Andreas, born the 27th of January, baptized the 13th of March.

5. Charles Springer and his wife Margret's child Jacob, born the 10th of February, baptized the 20th of March.

6. Jones Stedham and his wife Helena's child Cornelius, born the 16th of March, baptized the 20th of March.

7. Peter Andersson and his wife Kerstin's child Eric, born the 19th of March, baptized the 27th of March.

8. Powel Pafwelson and his wife Magdalena' schild Carl, born the 10th of March, baptized the 11th of April.

9. William Clenny and his wife Kerston's child William, baptized the 25th of April.

10. Samuel Petersson and his wife Maria's child Samuel born the 2nd of April, baptized the 1st of May.

11. Jonas Robesson and his wife Rebecca's son Charles, born the 24th of April, baptized the 1st of May.

12. James Springer and his wife Maria's child Susanna, born the 20th of July, baptized the 31st of July.

13. Jonathan Stilly and his wife Magdalena's child Maria, baptized the 14th of August.

14. Elias Tossa and his wife Christina's child Alexander, born the 18th of September, baptized the 25th of September.

15. Robert Robeson and his wife Catharina's child Richard, born the 19th of September, baptized the 2nd of October.

16. John Mortin and his wife Marget's son Johan, born the 18th of September, baptized the 2nd of October.

17. John Senech and his wife Ingeborg's child Anna Ingeborg, born the 18th of September, baptized the 16th of October.

18. John Seed and his wife Brita's child Anna, born the 18th of October, baptized the 30th of October.

19. Joseph Springer and his wife Annika's child Maria, born the 27th of October, baptized the 30th of October.

20. Joseph Pears and his wife Maria's child Johan, born the 4th of November, baptized the 13th of November.

21. William Didrickson and his wife Maria's son Jacob, born the 10th of November, baptized the 20th of November.

22. Hans Smith and his wife Maria's child Jonas, born the 21st of November, baptized the 27th of November.

23. Erasmus Stedham and his wife Christina's child Adam, born the 17th of November, baptized the 2nd of December.

24. Andrew Hendrickson, senior, and his wife Maria's child Catharina, born the 29th of November, baptized the 6th of December.

25. James Anderssen and his wife Brita's child Catharina, born the 29th of November, baptized the 10th of December.

26. Ole Anderssen and his wife Kerstin's child Peter, baptized the 11th of December.

27. Joseph Jackson and his wife Malin's child George, born the 1st of November, baptized the 11th of December.

28. Morten Morten and his wife Kerstin's child Christina, born the 19th of December, baptized the 29th of December.

29. Robin Ford and his wife Mary's child Mary, born the 5th of March, baptized the 31st of December.

Baptisms in 1738.

1. Reinold Baudwin and his wife Catharina's child Niclas, born the 17th of December 1737, baptized the 1st of January 1738.

2. William Vandever and his wife Margaretha's child Swen, born the 21st of December, baptized the 23rd of January.

3. James Macchaslin and his wife Annika's child Johan, born the 31st of December, baptized the 23rd of January.

4. Cunningham Walters and Agnes Andersson's child Edward, born the 11th of November, baptized the 3rd of February.

5. Christiern Brunberg and his wife Maria's child Christina, born the the 20th of January, baptized the 5th of January.

6. Hans Pettersson and his wife Catharina's child Elizabeth, born the 30th of March, baptized the 9th of April.

7. James Senecks and his wife Margaretha's child Susanna, born the 19th of March, baptized the 16th of April.

8. Peter Polson and his wife Catharina's child Peter, born the 30th of December, baptized the 12th of February.

9. Hans Petersson and his wife Catharina's child Susanna, born the 10th of May baptized the 18th of June.

10. Gustaf Justis, senior and his wife Susanna's child Maria, born the 1st of July, baptized the 16th of July.

11. Peter Petersson (over Brandywine) and his wife Brita's child Mathias, born the 2nd of September, baptized the 10th of September.

12. Christopher Springer and his wife Catharina's child Joseph, born the 19th of September, baptized the 8th of October.

13. Peter Anderson and his wife Kerstin's child Peter, born the 27th of September, baptized the 11th of October.

14. Morton Justis and his wife Brita's child Sara, born the 18th of September, baptized the 29th of October.

15. George Reed and his wife Ingeborg's child Elias, born the 30th of November, baptized the same day.

Baptisms in 1739.

1. Peter Canpony and his wife Magdalena's child Catharina, born the 26th of November, baptized the 1st of January.

2. Henric Stedham and his wife Margaretta's child Sara, born the 27th of December, baptized the 1st of January.

3. Gustaf Palsson and his wife Margaretta's child Kerstin, born the 26th of November, baptized 21st of January.

4. Johan Justis and his wife Kerstin's child Susanna, born the 17th of December, baptized 21st of January.

5. James Springer and his wife Mary's child Mary, born the 13th of February, baptized the 18th of February.

6. Conrad Garritson and his wife Mary's child Christina, baptized the 25th of January.

7. Christ Lindmeyer and his wife's child Joran, born the 5th o February, baptized the 11th of March.

8. Cornelius Vandever and his wife Margaretta's child Susanna born the 6th of March, baptized the 3d of April.

9. William Tussy and his wife Maria's child Mathias, born the 1st of April, baptized the 4th of April.

10. Peter Stalcop and his wife Susanna's child Johan, born the 22nd of April, baptized the 29th of April.

11. Charles Springer and his wife Margaretta's child Gabriel, born the 11th of May, baptized the 10th of June.

12. Jonas Stedham and his wife Helena's child Helena, born the 14th of June, baptized the 17th of June.

13. Johan Neeman and his wife Beata's child Maria, born 31st of July, baptized the 12th of August.

14. Paul Pouelson and his wife Magdalena's child Petrus, born the 28th of July, baptized the 26th of August.

15. Joseph Jackson and his wife Malin's child Philip, born the 12th of August, baptized the 9th of September.

16. Thomas Bord and his wife Anna's child Rebecca, born the 29th of June, baptized the 9th of September.

17. Peter Vandever and his wife Margaret's child Andreas, born the 10th of September, baptized the 11th of September.

18. Henrick Colesburg and his wife Elizabeth's child Hendric, born the 17th of August, baptized the 20th of September.

19. Elias, Tassa and his wife Christina's child Anna, born the 30th of September, baptized the 8th of October.

20. Jonothan Stille and his wife Magdalena's child Jacob, born the 3d of September, baptized the 14th of October.

21. James Anderson and his wife Brita's child William, born the 2d of October, baptized the 14th of October.

22. Adolph Wuhlbach and his wife Catharina's child Maria, born the 14th of October, baptized the 15th of October.

23. Joseph Springer and his wife Annika's child Joseph, born the 17th of October, baptized the 21st of October.

24. Peter Polson and his wife Catharina's child Susanna, born the 10th of November, baptized the 25th of November.

25. Anders Stitly and his wife Catharina's child Maria, born the 5th of December, baptized the 9th of December.

26. William Anderson and his wife Kerstin's child William, born the 20th of November, baptized the 23d of December.

27. Johan Hedges and his wife Susanna's child Charles, born the 20th of December, baptized the 23d of December.

28. Joseph Peers and his wife Mary's child Richard, born the 24th of December, baptized January 1st, 1740.

29. Reynold Baudwin and his wife Catharina's child Fredrick, born the 4th of December, baptized the 17th of February, 1740.

A. D. 1738, June 1st. At a general meeting of the congregation belonging to the Swedes Church in Christiana, then by a general choice, Lucas Stedham of the Hunered of New Castle, yeoman, was elected trustee for the leasing of the church lands in the room of the late Charles Springer, Esq., deceased. At the same time was chosen Charles Springer, son of the said Charles Springer, Esq., deceased, one of the vestrymen of said church in the room of the above mentioned deceased gentleman.

At the same time was chosen Christopher Springer, son of the above mentioned deceased gentleman, one of the Churchwardens of said church for the year ensuing.

On the 2nd of June Anders Leina received 50 shillings for his service as Sexton for the past year and it was resolved that he should have three pounds hereafter so long as he is clerk for the church.

A. D. 1739, June 11th. Lucas Stedham was again chosen trustee and Christopher Springer and Elias King yet longer to be Churchwardens, and the before named trustees gave in a right and full acconnt of their leasing our land for the year past in Willingstown, so much as for that year had been collected, which was divided betwixt the pastor and the church so that each had his half, and also both Churchwardens gave an exact account of their receipts and expenditures for various purposes.

At this same general meeting it was resolved that no stranger shall be buried in our churchyard hereafter. First, because there is not room for strangers. Second, that I have been put on my guard by the burial of an unbaptized girl, and third, that the Churchwardens have had great difficulty to collect for the burial of strangers. Also the repair of the church was considered, which is much needed, which was agreed upon.

A. D. 1740, June 10th. Were some together with me when the trustees and Churchwardens rendered their accounts for the past year and what they had expended for the needs of the church, and what had been the receipts from the pews on the north side and their receipts were deposited in the church chest.

Elias King after three years' service resigned the church wardenship and Gustaf Gustaffson, Jr., took it in his place.

A. D. 1741, May 19th. There was a general meeting of the church and in the presence of the members a correct account was rendered by the trustees and Churchwardens for the time past and Lucas Stedham was again elected and confirmed trustee and Henrick Colesberg and Jonas Walraven were chosen Churchwardens in the place of the former wardens, Christopher Springer and Gusta Gustafson, Jr., and Christopher Springer was chosen to the church council in the place of Henrick Colesberg. Also Anders Leina was chosen sexton for the coming year.

Copy. I, Erasmus Stedham, heretofore a member of the church at Christina, but now of the church at Penn's Neck, herewith make over to Timothy Lucasson Stedham for his entire and undisputed possession for him and his heirs after him, the pews which belonged to my late father and mother of the pews of Christina Church, as is described in the church-book, and for the greater surety I write this with my own hand and subscribe my name, this 13th day of June, A. D. 1739.

As witness ERASMUS STEDHAM.
Peter Tranberg.

RECORD OF BAPTISM, 1740.

1. Cornelius Vandever and his wife Margarita's child Brita, born the 31st of January, baptized 2d of March.

2. William Sloby and his wife Annika's child William, born the 16th of September, 1739, baptized the 30th of March, 1740.

3. John Senecks and his wife Ingeborg's child Susanna, born the 2d of April, baptized the 7th of April.

4. Andreas Stalcop, Jr. and his wife Johannes child Joanna, born the 13th day of May, baptized the 25th of May.

5. Henrich Stedham and his wife Margery's child Adam, born the 10th of August, baptized the 14th of September.

6. Peter Didrickson and his wife Margarita's child Jacob, born the 2d of September, baptized the 5th of October.

7. Hans Smit and his wife Maria's child Maria, born the 25th of September, baptized the 5th of October.

8. Gustaf Justison, Jr. and his wife Susanna's child Catharina, born the 10th of October, baptized the 12th of October.

9. Lucas Månson and his wife Annika's child Jonathan, born the 9th of October, baptized the 12th of October.

10. Thomas Willing and his wife Catharina's child Anna, born the 22d of November, baptized the 4th of December.

11. Andeis Hendrickson and his wife Maria's child Jonas, born the 18th of November, baptized the 13th of December.

RECORD OF BAPTISMS.

1. Peter Anderson and his wife Catharina's child Andreas, born the 7th of January, baptized the 9th of January.

2. Samuel Petersson and his wife Christina's child Jonas, born the 1st of March, baptized the 3rd of March.

3. Richard Robinson and his wife Susanna's child Margareta, born 11th of February, baptized immediately because of its weakness.

4. William Brown and Christina Mounson's child Abraham, born the 10th of March, baptized the 5th of April.

5. Cornelius Vandever and his wife Margret's child Jacob, born 31st of March, baptized the 3rd of May.

6. Christiern Brunberg and his wife Maria's child Elizabeth born 9th of April. baptized 5th of May.

7. Peter Peters Canpony and his wife Magdalena's child Johan, born the 10th of April, baptized the 5th of May.

8. Peter Hendrickson and his wife Anna's child David, born the 11th of April, baptized the 17th of May.

9. Thomas Turner and his wife Beata's child Maria, born the 23rd of April, baptized the 24th of May.

10. Augustus Constantine and his wife's child Maria, born in March, baptized the 24th of May.

11. Carolus Springer and his wife Margarita's child Margarita, born the 27th of May, baptized the 5th of June.

12. Peter Stalcop and his wife Susanna's child William, born the 27th of May, baptized the 27th of June.

13. Morten Morten and his wife Kerstin's child Johan, born the 5th of June, baptized the 19th of July.

14. John Hedges and his wife Susanna Hendrickson's child John, born the 25th of November.

15. Hans Peterson and his wife Catharina's child Andreas, born the 13th of August, baptized the 22nd of August.

August 9th 1743.—Timothy Lucas Stedham declared that he had sold to Timothy Lulofson Stedham and his heirs, the pew in Christina Church which he bought of Erasmus Stedham, as his name witnesseth, and on the same day Timothy Lucasson Stedham sold the pew on the women's side in Christina Church, to Timothy Lulofson Stedham and his heirs, which he had of Erasmus Stedham. Submitted with his name.

Witness

TIMOTHY LUC. STEDHAM,
PETER TRANBERG.

When pastor Eenberg was called home to a Swedish charge, pastor Tranberg received his commission in his place August 1st, 1842, which reads as follows:

We Fredrich, By the grace of God, King of the Swedes, Goths and Vends, etc., etc., Landgrave of Hesse—Prince of Herschfeldt, Duke of Catzenelenbogen, Dietz Liegenhagen—Widden and Schaumburg, etc., etc.

Be it hereby known—In as much as we have graciously consented to the pastor of Christina Church, John Eneberg's humble request to be called home here to Sweden, and therefore a pastor of the before named Christina Church is needed, and as the beloved Petrus Tranberg, pastor at Raccoon and Penn's Neck in America, has been humbly proposed by those concerned as a proper person, both as to his learning and ability for the place.

Therefore in virtue of this our open authorization, is Petrus Tranberg appointed to the pastorate of the before named Evangelical Church, and let all to whom it concerns give to it the proper attention.

For greater surety we have with our own hand subscribed this, and let it be sealed with the royal seal; given at Stockholm in the Council Chamber, December 10th, 1739.

FRIEDRICK (L.S.)
GUSTAF CELSING.

When the above named order from the King had been received, Pastor Enneberg could not at once proceed on his journey, partly on account of the war between England and Spain, and partly because the ground rents of the Priestland were not all collected, and so his journey was delayed for two years, when he finally departed for Sweden Pastor Franborg took the congregation and a general meeting was called, and it was resolved to rent a suitable house for him to live in, for which business Mouns Justis was chosen with directions to pay 5£ per annum rent. The old Priesthouse was now s odecayed that no one could live in it with credit. Pastor Eneberg living unmarried the whole time that he was here did not trouble himself with housekeeping, but made his home with certain families, and the parsonage house was let go out of repair.

At the same meeting the pastor said if the congregation would give him a lot he would build himself a house at his own expense, as the income from the rents of land did not warrant the congregation to build at this time, especially as they had borrowed 80£ on interest for Mr. Eneberg when he left for Sweden. To this proposition they all consented and agreed, and gave him a lease of a corner lot in the same quarter in which the old Priesthouse stands, for which he is to pay yearly two shillings ground rent. The spring following he began to build, and some members of the church

helped him as much as they were able, especially Charles Springer, and the house was ready in the summer, so that at the end of the year he moved into his own house, and the church no longer had to pay house rent for him.

Then inquiry was made with regard to the inventarium of the church and it was found to be as follows: 1. One old contumacious negress who was at the same meeting, set up at auction and sold for 7 shillings. 2nd. One old cow which Hans Smith bought for 2£ and 5 shillings, the remainder a walnut table, two chairs, some old pewter spoons, and some plates were left to the pastor.

Also the inquiry was made if there should not be Divine service in both the Swedish and English languages, and all favored it except Timothy Stedham. But it was understood that the Swedish service should be held at the usual time in the morning and conducted and closed according to the church regulations thereof, and in the afternoon if the pastor is so minded there may be preaching in English.

The same day Hans Smith and Peter Smith paid 2£ and 10 shillings to the church for pew room in the first pew, which money was received by Henry Colsberg.

Record of Baptisms, 1742.

1. James Anderson and Brita Loinan's child James, born the 25th of December, 1741.

2. William Von Culen and his wife Maria's child Andreas, born the 12th of March, 1742, baptized the 18th of April.

3. William Davis and his wife Grace's child Mary, born the 26th of June, baptized the 11th of September.

4. Joseph Cartmill and his wife Sara's child Hanna, born the 3d of October, baptized the 29th of December.

5. Morton Garrit's and his wife Annika's child Margaret, born the 13th of November, baptized the 29th of November.

6. Joseph Nowell and his wife Mary's child Christina, born the 8th of April, baptized the 20th of April.

7. Robert May and his wife Susanna's child Andrew, born the 2nd of October, baptized the 16th of October.

8. Niclos Turner and his wife Beata's child Mary, born the 23d of April, 1741, baptized the 26th of March, 1743.

9. John Stephanson and his wife Jane's child John, born the 8th of July, baptized the 31st of July.

10. Robert Smith and his wife Mary's child William, born April 30th, baptized the 31st April.

11. Asmund Stedham and his wife Christina Hindrickson's child Zacharias, born the 26th of April, baptized the 7th of June.

12. Justa Poulson and his wife Margret's child Catharine, born the 19th of July, 1741, baptized 1742.

13. Hans Petersson and his wife Catharina's child Andreas, born the 13th of August, 1741, baptized the 22nd of August.

14. Mathias Morten and his wife Elizabeth's child Elizabeth, born the 8th of September, baptized the 20th of September.

15. Joseph Springer and his wife Anna's child Catharina, born the 5th of October, 1741, baptized the 9th of October.

16. Christopher Springer and his wife Catharina's child Catharina, born the 20th of October, baptized the 26th of October.

17. Reinold Badin and his wife Catharina's child Maria, born the 10th of October, baptized the 8th of September.

17. Henry Colsberry and his wife Elizabeth's child William, born and baptized the 1st of November.

18. John Senecks and his wife Ingeborg's child Maria, born the 28th of November.

19. Peter Griffin and his wife Brigit's child Hannah, born the 8th of June, baptized the 12th of June.

20. Jonas Robeson's child Edward, born the 1st of December, baptized the 7th of December.

21. Peter Alldridge and his wife Susanna's child Mary, born the 4th of November, baptized the 8th of November.

22. James Seneck and his wife Margret's child Sara, born the 13th of June, baptized the 1st of July.

23. John Henricson and his wife Rebecca's child John, born the 22d of September, baptized the 30th of September.

24. William Dedrickson and his wife Mary's child Susanna, born the 31st of December, baptized the 8th of June.

25. An illegitimate child, laid to Robert Pierce, the name of the mother ——— Bird, born 1st of January.

26. Henry Stedham and his wife Margery's child Annika, born the 23d of November, baptized the 30th of November.

27. Peter Vandever and his wife Margarita's child Philip, born the 21st of May, baptized the 31st of ———.

1. November 13th, 1742, there was a parish meeting held and the Pastor again inquired if he could have a lot on the same condition as Mr. Eneberg in his time has had; he would at his own expense build a house on it to dwell in; as a yearly house rent will be expensive to the congregation, and the old parsonage was unfit for him, it was unamiously consented to.

2. Ground rent began more and more to fall into neglect, whereof the preacher had two parts and the church one part, wherefore the trustees were admonished to use more severity with the residue; on which Lucas Stedham answered that we must have patience with the town, because it is yet young, whereat it was so resolved for this time.

3. Hans Smith was chosen to have inspection over the woodland belonging to the church, that no trespass should be made on it; and if he sold any dry trees he should give in his account thereof at the next coming meeting.

4. The preacher complained of the neglect of some members of the congregation to report the age of the children at the baptisms, the consequence of which is that he could not keep the register so correct as he had wished to.

5. It was inquired if the English sermon in the afternoon may continue, whereupon followed an affirmative answer.

BURIALS IN 1743.

Timotheus Stedham's two daughter's Elizabeth and Margaret died of dysentery.

Cornelius Vandever's daughter Brigitta, buried 7th October.

Andreas Stalcop died of consumption, buried 4th March.

Bartholomew Paulson's daughter Catharina, buried 22nd January.

RECORD OF BAPTISMS 1743.

1. Olle Monson's child Annika, born January, baptized the 30th of January.

2. Peter Paulson and his wife Mary's child Mary, born the 9th of January, baptized the 15th of January.

3. John Hedges and his wife Susanna's child Joseph, born the 7th of January, baptized the 11th of January.

4. Peter Garrisson and his wife Sara's child John, born the 6th of November, baptized the 20th of November.

5. Garret Garrison and his wife Mary's child Garret, born the 8th of March, baptized the 7th of November.

6. Israel Robeson and his wife Elizabeth's child Sara, born the the 15th of February, baptized the 21st of February.

7. Bartholomew Paulson and his wife Eleanor's child Mary, born the 2d of October, baptized the 7th of October.

8. Johan Hyland and his wife Mary's child Mary, born and baptized the 27th of August.

9. James Springer and his wife Mary's child Niclas, born the 5th, baptized the 8th of August.

10. Lulof Peterson's child Israel, born the 20th, baptized the 24th of July.

11. Carolus Springer and his wife Margret's child Rachel, born the 6th, baptized the 12th of June.

12. Joseph Springer and his wife Anna's child Sara, born and baptized the 26th of October.

13, Zachariah Dedrichson's child Ellinor, born the 24th of December.

14. William Stuby and his wife Anna's child James, born the 8th of January, 1743.

15. Augustin Constantin's child Sara, born the 10th, baptized the 15th of January.

16. Peter Stalcop and his wife Susanna's child Tobias, born the 1st, baptized the 6th of August.

17. Anders Henrickson and his wife Mary's child Leddy, born the 21st, baptized the 27th of January.

18. Anders Stalcop's child Mary, born the 2d of September, baptized the 3d of October.

19. Peter Anderson and his wife Catharina Lorena's child Christina, born and baptized the 27th of October.

20. William Tosawa and his wife Maria's child William, born the 22d, baptized the 28th of July.

21. Richard Robeson and his wife Susanna's child Andrew, born the 6th, baptized the 9th of March.

22. Thomas Badrill and his wife Maria's child Thomas, born the 1st, baptized the 6th of March.

23. Daniel Culen and his wife Elizabeth's child Daniel, born the 22nd of September, baptized the 10th of October.

24. Henry Tathen and his wife Elizabeth's child Andrew, born the 1st, baptized the 12th of October.

25. William Elly and his wife Margaret's child Benjamin, born the 27th of July.

26. Martin Ellet and his wife Jane's child Margret, born the 15th of December.

The 21st of January, 1738, there was a general parish meeting held, when was discussed the failing payment of the ground rents, and that it was no longer advisable to give a further time for consideration, particularly as some said that they would not pay, and others that they could not; wherefore the congregation concluded they would consult a lawyer if those could not be forced by the law to stand up to what the leases indicated. And Lucas Stedham and Henry Colesberg undertook to execute this proposal, and the expenses therefor were contributed by the undermarked members of the congregation, on the condition that Lucas Stedham, Henry

Colesberg and Jonas Walraven should afterwards render an account to the congregation in accordance with their charges.

RECORD OF THOSE WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED.

	£.	s.	d.
Mounce Justis,	0	7	6
Philip Vandever,	0	7	6
Marten Justis,	0	7	6
John Stalcop,	0	7	6
Charles Springer,	0	5	0
Hans Smith,	0	5	0
Christopher Springer,	0	5	0
Jacob Stille,	0	3	0
Timotheus Stedham,	0	5	0
Jacob Hyne,	0	5	0
Hans Peterson,	0	5	0
Henry Colesberg,	0	5	0
Augustin Constantin,	0	50	
Lucas Stedham,	0	5	0
Jonas Walraven,	0	5	0
Swen Justice,	0	2	6
Justa Justice, Jr.,	0	5	0
Nils Justice,	0	2	0
Cornelius Didrichson,	0	7	6
Paul Paulson,	0	4	0
Israel Petersson,	0	5	0
Peter Hendrickson,	0	2	6
Peter Stalcop,	0	5	0
William Tossawa,	0	5	0
William Paulson,	0	3	0
Andrew Hendrickson,	0	2	6
Peter Smith,	0	5	0
John Vandevoir,	0	5	0
Jesper Clawson,	0	2	6
John Smith,	0	2	6
Andrew Linan,	0	2	0
Justa Justice, Sr.,	0	2	0
Justa Justice,	0	2	0

	£.	s	d
Peter Anderson,	0	2	0
John Hedge,	0	2	0
John Paulson,	0	2	0
Jonas Stedham,	0	6	6
Benjamin Paulson,	0	2	0
Conrad Garrison,	0	5	0
Peter Petersson,	0	2	0
John Scoggin,	0	2	6
Erik Stalcop,	0	2	0
Andrew Justice,	0	2	0
John Garrison,	0	2	6
	9	10	6

The result of this was the following: That the case according to the opinion of the lawyer, should be placed upon another footing before they commenced any action thus; two or three members of the congregation should be invested with an absolute power to act, and do in this case as with their own, after they had given to the congregation their contrabond? But this did not sound well in the ears of the multitude, and in that year nothing more was done.

Pastor Peter Tranberg and his wife Catharina Rudman's child, born the 7th of January, 1736–7, and died.

Baptisms in 1744.

1. William Culen and his wife Maria's child Rachel, born the 1st of October, baptized November 10th.

2. Philip Stalcop's child Andreas, born 29th October.

3. William Vaniman and his wife Magdalena's child, Catharina, born 28th April, baptised 29th May.

4. Jonathan Hille's child Elizabeth, born 18th, baptized 30th of July.

5. John Springer and his wife Mary's child John, born 18th of September, baptized the 1st of October.

6. Swen Justice and his wife Mary's child Christina, born 1st of——, baptized the 10th.

7. Jonas Stedham and his wife Helena's child Jonas, born the 11th of October, baptized the 19th.

8. Jesper Clawson and his wife Maria's child Elizabeth, born the 17th of September, baptized the 22nd.

9. Jacob Hynes' child Rebecca, born in November, baptized the 13th of December.

10. Nils Justice and his wife Mary's child Charles, born the 3rd of December, baptized the 12th.

11. Elias Tasse's child Ally, born and baptized the 12th of December.

12. Peter Henrichson's child Sara, born the 21st December, baptized the 28th.

13. Powel Powelson's child Sara, 6 years old, baptized the 28th of December.

14. James Anderson and his wife Brigitta's child Britta, born the 28th of March, baptized the 9th of April.

15. Lylof Stedham and his wife Jane's child Joseph, born the 5th, baptized the 10th of July.

16. William Stobby's child Magdalena, born the 1st, baptized the 10th of November.

17. Joseph Jackson and his wife Mary's child Elizabeth, born the 8th, baptized the 20th of April.

18. James Senecks and his wife Margaret's child Isaac, born the 12th of August, baptized the 9th of September.

19. Henry Colesberg and his wife Elizabeth's child Susanna, born and baptized the 28th of December.

MARRIAGES.

John Godfrey to Mary Perkins.
John Hopes to Ann Way.
John Reese to Marget McLaly.
James Floyd to Mary Barnet.
John Smith to Ann Springer.
Joseph Abraham to Margaret Farrys.
James Hamilton to Mary Lammon.
John Johnstone to Margaret Hogg.
Patrick Monagan to Sara Crafford.
Charles Hall to Hannah Hall.

Philip Stalcop to Susanna Brunberg.
John Cooper to Rachel Thompson.
David Turns to Sara James.
John Whelch to Marget Hillyard.
Henry Stedham to Mary Griffy.
Johan Vanneman to Rebecca Stille.
Joseph Willis to Hanna House.
James Miller to Mary Miller.
Daniel Lawson to Hanna Flemmen.
Elias Humphreys to Elizabeth Harris.
Edward Millegan to Mary Savage.
Nail McGraney to Ann Docherty.
Cornelius Cabner to Catharina Spark.
Mathew Long to Ellenor Burnside.
Edward Harris to Margaret Curtill.
John Garrison to Ann Glinn.
Archibald Cannady to Catharina Jordon.
William Lampligh to Rebecca Wilson.
Francis Henekly to Ellenor Necklyn.
Joseph Thomason to Susanna Edmundson.
Richard Nicles to Catharine McJenny.
David Bradford to Rosannah Shepard.
Joseph Williams to Martha Baldwin.
Thomas Knot to Margret Mayer.
Edward Carrel to Susanna Barker.
Jonas Tungberg to Johanna Heart.
Lars Holsten to Mary Pidget.
John Wolsten to Elizabeth Packerton.
Josiah Ramsey to Elizabeth Holleys.
Benj. Underwood to Lara Nicher.
Robert McCartsy to Elizabeth Plate.
Cornelius Obragan to Mary Crockert.
Joseph Carter to Elizabeth Mounder.
Thomas Thornberg to Debora Bruse.
Charles Tassy to Marjory Knot.
George Kock to Mary Miller.
William Vanneman to Mary Scott.
Thomas Cohens to Mary Gragan.
Benjamin Cook to Mary Gibs.

John Walker to Hannah White.
John Harrison to Ann McFarlen.
John Beard to Susanna Tutsey.
James Whitecker to Hannah Davis.
John Dully to Miriam Bush.
George Miller to Susanna Bird.
Thomas Smith to Elizabeth Ammet.
Jacob Mote to Mary Ammet.
Archibald Taylor to Catharine Richards.
Benj. Beason to Elizabeth Pohlson.
Gasper Trayner to Elizabeth McGuky.
Jassay Falkner to Martha Smith.
Even Lewis to Liddy Litler.
Archibald Armstrong to Mary Fresher.
James Dicky to Isabel Hodgeson.
Richard Folton to Isabel McChestney.
Wm. Brackstine to Margery Cregg.
Thomas Bellef to Ann Bates.
Samuel Land to Catharine Davis.
David Lewis to Mary Morris.
Arthur Graham to Mary Simson.
James Lee to Rachel Jones.
John Pile to Sara Baldwin.
Philip Vandever to Beata Vanneman.
Richard Grimes to Ann Buckley.
Archibald Hamilton to Judith Fewler.
Marris Ward to Elizabeth Hasford.
Robert Baty to Elizabeth Forgeson.
Patrick Oreton to Rachel Reece.
James Ellet to Jane Sharp.
Peter Dobbin to Mary Robeson.
Hugh Martin to Mary Corry.
Jonas Justis to Mary Walraven.
Richard Dilworth to Susanna House.
Thomas Peals to Mary Weans.
John Link to Mary Kirk.

September 15, 1744.—A parish meeting was held and it was agreed that Timothy Stedham, Philip Vandever

and Henry Colesburg should have the church-ground re-surveyed, because one Samuel Millener will go over the line and said that he would stand to it: which survey was made, and it was found to be as he had said.

Also it was agreed that two pews on each side of the church in front of the choir should be made, and the price of them be the same, as the foremost pews are noted in the church book.

Also the following were elected vestrymen; Philip Vandever, Lucas Stedham, Christopher Springer, Charles Springer, Hans Smith, Morton Justice, Mounce Justice: and to be Church-wardens, Justa Justice and Peter Smith.

September 28, 1744.—Cornelius Didrickson announced that he wanted to buy one pew-place on the men's side and one on the women's side; and it was consented that he should have a place in the new pew next to the narrow aisle on the men's side, and one place in the second pew on the women's side, for which he paid 5£ 10 shillings.

Hans Smith and Peter Smith paid on the same day 2£. 10 shillings for their pew -rooms, which money was handed to Peter Smith and is now full paid for that which stood against them.

At the same time it was consented to, that as Bruner Seneke intended to remove to another country and had sold his and his wife's pew-rooms to his brother John Seneke for 2£. 16 shillings this should be inserted in the records, that the said John Seneke and his wife should on this condition possess and occupy the said pew-rooms for themselves and their heirs that they may not sell them to any one who does not belong to the Swedish congregation.

Also that Lucas Stedham and Timothy Stedham

should procure a release from John Stalcop, concerning the priest-ground.

As more pews were needed and there was sufficient room for them in front of the choir, Justa Justice and John Smith were instructed to build three pews on the men's and three on the women's side, having each for himself and his wife a pew-room, for the labor, at the price which the best pews sold, and at the reckoning they paid to the church 15s each for a pew room. The following persons were re-elected to Church Council: Philip Vandevoir, Lucas Stedham, Christopher Springer, Charles Springer, Hans Smith, Morton Justis, Mounce Justis.

On the 12th of May, or Ascension Day, 1745, a general parish meeting was held when all unanimously agreed to transfer the lands and lots of the church to two men to do and act as they thought most proper, both in selling or letting out land on ground rent, but that they neither should sell nor let out more land than to the King's road, which goes from Thomas Millener's to Hans Peterson's, and the money for which the lots were sold should be set out on interest and therefrom should the priest be supported and the church repaired. These two so-elected men should also give their bond and obligation to the congregation, which shows in what measure they possessed such a right and authority to the same land, and to be therefor responsible when the congregation thinks it just to hold them to account. The vote fell on Timothy Stedham and Henry Colesberg; they afterwards were given full authority and proper writings, and gave their bonds, which are kept safe in the church-chest, until others will succeed them.

Be it known that Mary Springer, the wife of Johannes

Springer, has of pure love to God and good affection to the church, bestowed a burial-pall for the use of Christina Church, which gift is so much the more regarded inasmuch as the church had at that time none fit to use

MARRIAGES IN 1745.

JANUARY.

1. Elias King to Mary Beans.
3. Robert Macarther to Alie Buffinton.
11. James Guest to Phœbe Evanson,
John Welch to Elizabeth Vandevoir.
James Vathan to Brita Peterson.
28. Thomas Carle to Sara Anstel.

FEBRUARY.

Joshua Focker to Margret Webb.
William Klenny to Mary Thomson.
David Kelly to Ann Royly.
23. James Dilworth to Liddy Martin. 11 years, 4 months and 23 days old.
26. Joseph Gorby to Mary Loan.

MARCH.

In Lent, none.

APRIL.

17. John Linan to Catharina Robinson.
21. William Cochran to Mary Humahrg.
19. Andrew Morton to Johanna Withal.
30. Samuel Smith to Rebecca Colter.

MAY.

4. Thomas Foster to Esther Morschey.
6. Hugh Carrel to Mary Fips.
7. Richard Adkis to Mary Atherson.
11. Richard Fassal to Rachel Agorsen.
16. Archibald Crackon to Hanna George.
16. Eiias Walraven to Christina Walraven.
23. Richard Durrom to Margret Dawson.

JUNE.

Mounce Hopman to Britta Matson.
Thomas Canady to Mary Stolt.
William Dackeyne to Ann Hance.
Thomas Jones to Mary Ladly.
Johan Cornelius to Catharina Stedham.
Benjamin King to Foremer.
Barney Hughes to Elizabeth Wolters.
John Williams to Mary Garrison.

JULY.

Abel Whittaker to Mary Lofton.
Josua Newbrough to Hanna Collier.
Mathias Morton to Rebecca Evars.
Valentin Bratson to Rebecca Hall.
Wm. Beard to Mary Lockhart.
Thomas Daniel to Johanna Milore.
Samuel Branton to Elizabeth Blager.
Henry Fowel to Dorothy Ballman.
James McFarn to Mary Mills.

AUGUST.

Elia Bradford to Susanna Peters.
Samuel Horlan to Elizabeth Hallingsworth.
James Ellet to Mary Bell.
Samuel Cabner to Sara Dockria.
Peter Bricker to Barbara Meyer.
Wm. Beard to Margret Gordon.
John Steel to Susanna Kaglay.
Wm. Floyd to Ann Foston.
David Evans to Ann Borch.
Benjamin England to Susanna Collier.
Mordecay Vernon to Mary Ellet.

SEPTEMBER.

Patrick Glason to Cicily Graves.
John French to Sarah Clark.
John Stein to Jane McCoy.
William Anderson to Jane Kalton.

Cadwalet Griffith to Jane McKey.
Nathan Frame to Catharine Chalfant.

OCTOBER.

Alexander Lindsey to Latisha James.
John Price to Elizabeth Wollows.
Samuel Gothrey to Margaret Kanots.
John Moore to Elizabeth McCarty.
Jacob Long to Ann Yung.
Edward Parker to Mary Kiser.
Wm. March to Mary Jefrys.
Jerem Godfrey to Mary Williams.
James Downart to Mary Thomson.
Joseph Powel to Mary Peast.

NOVEMBER.

Wm. Qiughty to Jane Glansy.
Wm. Dixon to Mary Collins.
George Colter to Agnes Miller.
John Harday to Catharine Close.
Robert Turner to Elizabeth Andrew.
George Dickey to Mary Baker.
Francis Elliott to Jane Legan.
Mortin Mac Gra to Judith Cory.
James Bird to Mary Ashford.
Joseph Thomson to Isabel Bristol.

DECEMBER.

John Lathemore to Elizabeth Smith.
Michel Montgomery to Ann McDoel.
Thomas Bowles to Elizabeth Latty.
Samuel Petles to Ellinor Reough.
Wm. Montgomery to Amy McDoel.
Charles Ahlford to Elizabeth Laughton.
Joseph Grubb to Hanna Foard.
John Hogly to Eliza Dawsy.
James Goldsmit to Susanna Ashton.
Edward Duckerty to Elizabeth Carrel.
James Crowley to Newport.
Thomas Bowels to Elizabeth Latty.

BAPTISMS.

1. Andreas Stille and his wife Catharina's child Jacob, born and baptized the 22nd of January.

2. Michael Genny and his wife Susanna Morton's child Jacob, born the 1st of April, baptized the 20th of May.

3. Anders Hendrickson's child Sarah, born and baptized 15th of April.

4. Samuel Peterson and his wife Mary's child Andrew, born the 8th of May, baptized 9th of June.

5. John Hedges and his wife Susanna Hendrickson's child Sara, born and baptized 11th of May.

6. Peter Anderson and his wife Catharina Loinan's child Margrita, born 12th May.

7. Peter Vandever and his wife Margarita's child Elizabeth, born the 11th baptized the 30th of May.

8. William Tossa and his wife Mary Scapenhois's child Mary, born the 14th of May, baptized the 9th of June.

9. Philip Vandever and his wife Beata Hoffman's children Rachel and Rebecca, born and baptized the 27th of September.

10. Richard Robinson and his wife Susanna Justice's child Mary, born and baptized the 16th of December.

11. Joseph Mortenson and his wife Regina Peterson's child Joshua, born and baptized the second of April.

12. Zacharias Hindrickson and his wife Elizabeth Howel's child William, born the 14th, baptized 22d of September.

13. Joseph and Margret Abraham's child Mary, born and baptized 16th of November.

14. Joran and Catharina Loinan's child Brita, born 11th of March.

MARRIAGES IN 1746.

JANUARY.

Thomas Huston to Ellinor Taylor.
John Durrham to ——— McLaghlin.
John Cowins to Margret Creig.
Wm. Griffy to Catharina Morphey.
Jonas Morton to Sara Justice.
Robert More to Mary Roads.

FEBRUARY.

John Shuggart to Susanna Talkinton.
Edward Haggorn to Mary Black.
Cornelius Clark to Jane Conry.
Joseph Rotheram to Catharine Jacobs.
Robert Baverlin to Susan Goldtrop.
Wm. Baldwin to Ruth Barns.
Wm. Voniman to Christina King.
John Martin to Margret Knocks.
Samuel Hayes to Eliz. Hearney.
John Bodly to Ann Fitchgirl.
Andrew Bartelson to Catharine Hopman.
Robert Reed to Lucy Barden.

MARCH.

Daniel Avery to Judith Jackson.
John Carter to Jane Black.
Muxtey Handly to Sara Tate.
Eric Stalcop to Mary Twigs.
Cornelius Reyon to Ann Wilkinson.
Henry Holyday to Mary Fail.
James Kirk to Mary Walker.
Patrick More to Mary Brown.
Wm. Price to Eliz. Camel.
John Jackson to Margret McFear.
Aaron Harlay to Sara Hollingsworth.
Wm. Henry to Hanna Tanner.
John Powel to Ellinor Bloomer.

APRIL.

Niclas Corsine to Magdalena Senecks.
Hugh Bryarly to Rebecca Forwood.
John Brand to Margret Nicolson.
Thomas Lion to Mary Oly.
Edward Bennet to Patience Niclan.
Hugh Romage to Jane Adare.
Samuel Hall to Elizabeth Wellcock.

John Kampster to Martha Collier.
Richard Woodward to Mary Yetman.
Isaac Barbor to Jane Henry.

MAY.

Ezekiel Wintworth to Mary Gilborg.
George McCleave to Elizabeth Portman.
Richard Cornelius to Susanna Philips.
John Walraven to Sara Stedham.
Cornelius McOllern to Christina Supingam.
Benjamin Jackson to Prishilla Vernon.

JUNE.

Abel Morgan to Elizabeth Howels.
John Bishop to Elizabeth Jordan.
Nathaniel Canada to Mary Wood.
Benjamin Moore to Ann Roads.
Samuel Read to Ann Harper.
James Bullerward to Catharine Hopman.
Richard Bartelson to James Grooms.
Michel Cleester to Jane Colberson.
Wm. Miller to Jane Maggee.
Joseph Elwill to Mary Jaquet.
Joseph Jones to Ann Latton.
Charles Bark to Sara Mefarmick.

JULY.

James Hall to Mary Clenny.
Peter Brunberg to Ann Owens.

AUGUST.

Patrick to McCarter.
Richard Egleston to Margret Shannon
John Gibson to Ruth Martin.
Francis Baldwin to Margret Little.
John Vouman to Mary Ford.
Immanuel Burns to Mary Miller.

George Crow to Mary Gandouct.
Josua Roman to Rachel Pile.
John Misman to Margret Swan.

SEPTEMBER.

Amos Richards to Elizabeth Reece.
Joseph Holland to Jane Young.
Robert Ketrick to Isabella Hall.
Amos Earby to Rachel Bayly.
William Cracker to Ellenor Hoslip.
Joseph Eldare to Sara Luffirty.
Abram Barbor to Mary Michel.
Robert Piles to Mary Roman.
Joseph Heald to Hannah Hild.

OCTOBER.

Cornelius McSweany to Ellenor Birk.
Nail Morns to Margret Tuffs.
Darby Morgon to Elizabeth Clatt.
Samuel Finley to Sara Willerton.
John Sheals to Margret Sarr.
Dennys Sallovain to Mary Leat.

NOVEMBER.

Thomas Hagton to Mary Dakrill.
James Bredin to Susanna Mullin.
John King to Magdalena Peterson.
Peter Peterson to Magdalena Voniman.
John Gardner to Margret Newnork.
John McWilliams to Mary Blak.
John Borom to Ann Vansant.
Francis Baldwin to Charity Hackney.
John Hanson to Ellenor Lewis.

DECEMBER.

James Donn to Jean Farrel.
Jacobus Heirs to Mary Blew.

BAPTISMS IN 1746.

1. Pastor Peter Tranberg and his wife Catharina Rudman's child Theophilus, born 9th of March, baptized and died 9th of May.

2. Carolus Springer and his wife Margret Robinson's child Rebecca, born and baptized the 2nd of July.

3. James Senecks and his wife Margret Werdeman's child Margret, born and baptized the 6th of July.

4. Michel Sigmund and his wife Elizabeth Walraven's child John William, born and baptized 11th of July.

5. Peter Smith and his wife Eliz. Wandewer's child Mary, born the 19th, baptized 22nd of June.

6. James Anderson and his wife Brita Loinan's child Lady, born and baptized 5th of August.

7. Nils Justis and his wife Maria Springer's child Justa, born the 14th of September, baptized 21st of September.

8. Joseph and Margret Abraham's child Agnes, born and baptized 12th of October.

9. William and his wife Magdalena's child Rachel, born and baptized the 20th of March.

10. James McGennis and his wife Laddy Kobb's child William, born 15th of December, baptized 12th of June.

11. Joran and Catharine Loinan's child Elizabeth, born and baptized 10th of July.

12. Asmund Stedham and his wife Christina Hendrickson's child Sara, born the 15th, baptized the 19th of November.

13. Peter Peterson and his wife Rebecca Hoffman's child Maria, born the 19th, baptized 26th of December.

MARRIAGES IN 1747.

JANUARY.

Henry Robinson to Margaret Dennys.
Ebenezer Wolleston to Catharine Ogden.
Henry Peaxe to Ann Bayly.
John McRichy to Mary Williamson.
Joseph Wilson to Ann Woodward.

FEBRUARY.

1. Wm. Bean to Margaret Evans.
2. Wm. Reily to Ann Beaty.
5. Wm. Wolleston to Sarah Ball.
12. James Hollingsworth to Mary Harvey.
13. Samuel Lewis to Ann Armer.
16. John Hannons to Rachel Martin.
19. David Whitleta to Mary Morten.
21. Peter Ganthony to Hannah Broom.
24. William Smith to Ann McClare.
26. Thomas Veal to Mary Gothrey.
26. Hugh McConnel to Elizabeth White.

MARCH.

10. Uria Blew to Mary Jordon.
11. N. McConnel to Isabella Bell.
12. Robert Whiterous to Elizabeth Evans.
15. James Webb to Mary Hurfurd.
26. Thomas Harvey to Mary Armstrong.
26. Daniel Mackarfoss to Liddy Hall.
26. William Gapon to Christina Swanson.

APRIL.

21. Charles Laughead to Elizabeth McNail.
23. John Dobson to Hannah Fail.
24. Henry Dearon to Elizabeth Stedham.
29. Henry Burnet to Margaret Adare.

MAY.

3. John McGinnys to Martha More.
7. Thomas Flaregan to Mary Scoggen.
14. Lewis Resse to Sarah Lewis.
14. William Thomas to Catharina Johns.
14. James Elders to Elizabeth Polson.
23. Samuel Moore to Sarah Wilson.
8. Henry Badden to Hannah Bean.
13. James Baxter to Elizabeth Clark.

25. Erasmus Morton to Martha Bommels.
28. William Denney to Esther Bischop.

JUNE.

1. Daniel King to Rebecca Chambers.
5. John Plummer to Elizabeth Barber.
12. Daniel Bean to Mary Heredith.
20. Israel Stedham to Elizabeth Batson.
21. James Mackever to Mary Owens.
25. Cornelius Clark to Ann Hudgeson.
25. David Ogle to Margaret Hall.

JULY.

5. John Bard to Anna Briond.
6. Wm. McFarson to Margaret Trego.
14. Thomas Ellet to Brigita Martin.
20. John Jones to Ellenor Hooper.
22. Garsheam Alexander to Jana Thomas.
22. George White to Susanna Cloud.
30. Timothy Morphy to Ann Anderson.

AUGUST.

1. Niclas Fling to Sara Bettel.
2. Patrick Cafford to Magdalen Dame.
12. Brice Collins to Elizabeth Bradley.
14. John Folton to Mary Crafford.
14. Peter Jacquet to Elizabeth Jacquet.
25. Hugh Morgan to Catharina Weight.
25. Isaac Witlock to Martha Bean.
30. James Hersman to Hannah Dyke.

SEPTEMBER.

6. Wm. Cross to Rachel Welk.
8. Andrew More to Elizabeth
11. Philip Culford to Easter
13. John McGrub to Joan Baxter.
14. Wm. Catlet to Mary

24. John McBright to Mary White.
24. John Litle to Jane Mollin.
24. Abraham Swigg to Sara Bird.

OCTOBER.

1. Charles Collet to Elizabeth Neals.
15. John Walraven to Hannah Gravenrod.
20. Jacob Kidd to Elizabeth Smith.
29. Henry Vandever to Sara Barber.
29 Alexander Davidson to Ann Denny.

NOVEMBER.

4. Peter Boon to Debora Monde.
24. Wm. Armstrong to Ready Armstrong.
20. John Springer to Mary Welsh.
16. Robert Chalfon to Sara Cloud.
23. Frances McFall to Sara McGarvi.
James Canady to Christian Meason.
24. Cain Wholohan to Martha Kelley.
24. Jeremiah Gran to Susanna Thomson.
25. Isaac McDowal to Elizabeth Littol.
12. Samuel Harper to Mary Butler.
30. Adam Steward to Sara Hamilton.

DECEMBER.

1. James Danally to Mary Morrow.
5. Martin Justice to Magdalena Pohlson.
10. Claytor Buddle to Anne Bird.

BAPTISMS IN 1747.

1. Carolus Springer and his wife Margaret Robinson's child Elizabeth, born and baptized 18th of February.

2. Wm. Van Neman and his wife Mary Scott's child Abraham born and baptized 17th of March

3. John Springer and his wife Mary's child Margarita, born and baptized 25th of March.

4. John Walraven and his wife Sara Stedham's child Jonas, born 29th of May, baptized 8th of June.

5. Joseph Springer and his wife Anna Justice's child Anna, born and baptized 18th of June.

6. Cornelius Stedham and his wife Susanna's child Mary, born and baptized 27th of August.

7. Wm. Castan and Christina Swensson's child Andreas, born and baptized 10th of November.

8. Henric and Anna Pierce's child Joseph.

MARRIAGES IN 1748.

JANUARY.

John Jaquet to Johanna Clawson.
John Knotts to Elizabeth Taknet.
Daniel Sharpley to Catharine Robeson.
Wm. Patton to Agnis Boyd.
Daniel Done to Mary James.
Moses White to Ann Cann.
Thomas Chalfon to Margret Green.

FEBRUARY.

Samuel Wright to Jane Morney.

MARCH.

Alexander Harper to Sara Patton.
James Alexander to Mary Gray.
Timothy Canners to Catharine Hays.
Henry Hollis to Ann Harvey.
Thomas Ogle to Elizabeth Robeson.
Andrew Cox to Mary Link.
Wm. Sharpley to Susanna Earby.
Thomas Vichry to Sara Sinex.
Samuel Jones to Mary Correl.

APRIL.

Robert Rea to Sara Parker.
James Pyle to Sara Harlon.

James Carson to Mary Espy.
Giles Sankey to Margaret Calhoun.
Charles Springer to Mary Ball.
Charles Pierce to Ann Austle.
John Way to Mary Pierce.
Jonnathan Jordan to Mary Vaugham.

MAY.

1. James Ottlay to Anne Pierce.
3. Robert McGarrout to Agnes Kelly.
5. John Philpot to Ann Roberts.
6. Wm. Bork to Susanna Hosen.
16. Thomas Downs to Indy McFall.
16. John Tinn to Mary McGee.
18. James Stevenson to Elizabeth Weldin.
19. John Cox to Ellenor Elnes.
26. Zachrison Didrickson to Elizabeth Polson.
29. Swen Justis to Mary Jones.
30. Charles Gollfey to Margret Ellegon.

JUNE.

John Norman to Prishilla Besly.
John Montgomery to Charity Reed.
Patrick Burns to Rose Inglisby.
Edward Ogle to Margret Howard.
John Heeld to Margret Davis.

JULY.

1. Isaac Baily to Ellinor Cohoon.
1. John Kelly to Sara Welldon.
10. Wm. Ruledson to Martha Evans.
3. Barney Rice to Mary Hooper.
11. Daniel Show to Catharina Burns.
12. Lulof Stedham to Mary Rotter.
13. Jacob Vandevoir to Mary Cannaway.
18. John Fillpot to Ann Casparson.
20. James Steward to Hannah Woolcocks.
20. John Berry to Catharina Anhedson.

20. Thomas Singleton to Mary McDoul.
24. Thomas Giffing to Hannah Bell.
26. John Mahan to Ellinor Caby.
27. Wm. Farniss to Mary Dowling.
28. Robert Hueston to Jane Crafford.
25. Wm. Hall to Elizabeth Reyal.

AUGUST.

8. John Dolboy to Hannah Williams.
13. Thomas Thomason to Elizabeth Camel.
14. David Bush, Esq., to Ann Welsh.
18. Jonathan Gust to Elizabeth Catori.
23. Peter Jaquet to Jane Crafford.
30. Hugh Cummins to Ellinor Laughton.
23. John Pedrick to Rachael Grubb.
25. Wm. Reed to Elizabeth Duglas

SEPTEMBER.

Philip Taylor to Mary Riley.
Zacheus Kay to Sarah George.
Robert Bolton to Elizabeth Thomson.
James Maxwell to Margret Bullock.

OCTOBER.

3. Archdibald McDunold to Elizabeth Johnston.
6. John Hopes to Rachael Barns.
3. Wm. Follis to Sara Maker.
28. Nathan Cloud to Ann Smith.
6. Jonathan Kirk to Dorothy More.
7. Isaac Allen to Liddy Jackson.
27. Hugh Laughlin to Mary Evans.
24. Cornelius Gutrey to Jane Peterson.
17. John Allen to Lucretia Loyd.

May 5th, 1748. Agreed by the congregation.

1. Justa Justice and John Springer to be Church-wardens.

2. Jonas Walraven chosen a vestryman in place of Hans Smith.

3. Christopher Springer and Jonas Walraven were chosen to see that the bond of Timothy Stedham and Henry Colesberg be renewed.

4. Allowed to Henry Colesberg 5£. and the rent of his lot for his services for the year 1747; and the same for Timothy Stedham.

5. Hans Peterson was chosen to have oversight of the woodland.

6. Delivered to John Springer in cash, six pounds, ten shillings, belonging to the church.

7. John Springer bought 11 cords of wood at the rate of 2 shillings, 6 pence per cord: 1£ 7 sh. 6d.

8. Paid to Andrew Loinan in full for all service to this date, 5 pounds.

9. Asmund Stedham, chosen clerk, to have 2 pounds a year for his service, and he to clear the church-yard of thorns and bushes growing up, and to sweep the church three times a year. He is to dig the graves of all English burials in the church-yard.

N. B.—10. Justa Justice brought his account and there is ten shillings and two pence in his hands.

11. Two candlesticks belonging to the church sold at the rate of eighteen pence a pound, using 7¾ pounds= 0.. 11.. 7.. 2—and another by weight 3½ pounds=0.. 5.. 3.. which money is lodged in John Springer's hands.

12. A book to keep in the church to record the purse money.

13. Allowed that Peter Smith's seat in the church might be changed to the womens' side in the first old pew, formerly belonging to the minister's wife, provided that Hans Smith is so willing.

14. Henry Colesberg and his wife bought the first pew of the old, and paid the money. In the same pew on

the mens' side Timothy Stedham has bought and paid for one seat.

BAPTISMS, 1748.

1. Joseph Jackson and his wife Mary's child Benjamin, born and baptized 11th of January.

2. Philip Van de Weer and his wife Beata Hoffman's child Rebecca, born and baptized 30th of January.

3. John Hedges and his wife Susanna Hindricsson's child Samuel, born and baptized 1st of February.

4. John Smidt and his wife Anna Springer's child Rachel, born the 7th, baptized 13th of March.

5. Peter Anderson and his wife Catharina Loinan's child Mary, born and baptized 2nd of April.

6. Asmund Stedham and his wife Christina Hindrickson's child Cornelius, born 12, baptized 18th of June.

7. Joseph and Margaret Abraham's child Sara, born and baptized 12th October.

8. Henry Darran and his wife Elizabeth Stedham's child Susanna, born 19th of September, baptized in October.

9. Nils Justice and his wife Mary Springer's child Christina, born 4th of November, baptized 13th of November.

10. Joran and Catharina Loinan's child Anders, born 25th of October.

July 2nd, 1749.—This day there was public notice given in Christeen Church for a general meeting of all the members of the said congregation, on the 8th day of said month in Wilmington, at which meeting were present the Vestry and Churchwardens, and several others of the congregation, and it was concluded that as Timothy Stedham desired to resign the office of trustee of said congregation, he was then chosen a vestrymen; and it was likewise concluded that Henry Colesberg should remain a trustee, with Andrew Tranberg in the place of Timothy Stedham, likewise that John Springer remain a Churchwarden with Lulof Stedham in the place of Justa Justis.

BAPTISMS 1749.

1. Thomas Natt and his wife Margareta Mayer's child Johanna, born and baptized 20th of January.

2. Andrew Hendrickson and his wife Maria's child Tobias, born 26th, baptized 30th of January.

3. Joseph Jackson and his wife Mary's child John, born 17th January, baptized 2nd of April.

4. James Minzi and his wife Ellenor Willing's child Edai, born and baptized 30th of May.

5. Joseph Mortenson and his wife Regina Peterson's child Mary, born and baptized 1st of June.

6. Olaf Tossa and his wife Mary Schapenhois' children Isaac and Rebecca, born and baptized 16th of September.

7. James Anderson and his wife Brigita Loinan's child Andrew, born 15th of October, baptized 18th of November.

8. Peter Peterson and his wife Rebecca Hoffman's child Rachel, born 24th of October, baptized 18th of November.

9. Peter Stedham and his wife Isabella Hare's child William, born 30th September, baptized 30th of November.

10. Michael Sigmund and his wife Elizabeth Walraven's child Cornelius, born and baptized 6th of December.

11. James Seneck and his wife Margaret Werdeman's child Morina, born 26th October, baptized 26th November.

12. Hans Gorgen Rushocken and his wife Mary Frey's child Catharina, born 13th of November, baptized 10th December.

13. The child Phœbe, born 9th of January, baptized 18th of December, the parents negroes.

14. John Dilmore and his wife Elizabeth Aldrichson's child Edward, born 14th June, baptized 14th December.

15. Swen Walraven and his wife Catharina Hindrickson's child Johannes, born 21st December, baptized 24th December.

16. John Racen and his wife Anna Petersson's child Andrew, born 25th, baptized 31st December.

BURIALS.

Andrew Cock died the 8th of December, buried 10th December.

Johannes Walraven buried 30th December.

MARRIAGES.

William Glinn to Mary Tool, the 30th November, of New Castle County and Brandewyn Hundred.

Thomas Corcoran to Prudence Foresides, 26th of December, of Brandewyn Hundred.

Wm. Strode to Deborah Woodward. the 28th of December, both of Chester County and East Bradford Township.

On the 8th of November, 1748, Pastor Peter Tranberg resigned his soul to his Saviour's hand, to be transferred to the Heavenly joy. He took his leave of this world from the other side of the river in the house of Mr. William Von Neman, where he had gone to bury his (Mr. Von Neman's) parents, Mr. Olle Von Neman and his wife Magdalena Von Dever, who had died in Penn's Neck four days previously. His lifeless body was brought home and interred in its resting place, the 10th day of November. He had been a faithful pastor over Racoon and Penn's Neck congregations for fifteen years, over Christina congregation for seven years, and over the Swedish Lutheran congregations in general, under many occuring vacancies, as well as many English congregations, during the whole time he resided in America, viz.: twenty-two years.

Thus passes soon this race away, and others take its place;
The weary, lingering, lengthy day is closed in night's embrace;
This world is but a shifting scene where nought but change is found;
Births, life and death, till God forbids, will roll a constant round.
Blest is the man whose soul is given to Christ to keep and save,
He trusts with gladness and content, his body to the grave.

When e'er the Royal Shepherd calls a pastor to his rest,
And in his place another puts—Which then is the more blest?
The one whose work in life is done, who rests in bliss above,
Or his successor, who must still, with persevering love,
An ever watchful guardian be to rear the lambs of God;
He with less joy obeys God's will, than he beneath the sod.

CHRISTINA CONGREGATION'S

CHURCH BOOK

BOUGHT AT THE EXPENSE OF THE CHURCH AND APPROPRIATED TO ITS USE IN THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR 1750.

THIRD BOOK,

BEGINNING WITH THE

Record of the Historian Rev. Israel Acrelius,

IN HIS OWN HAND-WRITING.

When the venerable consistory at Upsula had learned by a letter dated August, 1748, that the pastor over the churches at Rakoon and Pensneck, and provost over the Swedish Lutheran Churches in America, Magister Johan Sandin had been removed by death, the most worthy consistorinm aforesaid, took all necessary care to provide a worthy and proper priest to supply the above mentioned places. The Highworthy Doctor and Archbishop Herr Doctor Hinrich Benzelius had not yet entered upon his Arch-episcopal office, but was still in his former Bishopric of Lund, therefore the Professor of Theology, Herr Magister Engelbrecht Hallenius took upon himself the special care of this business, and verbally proposed to me to take the appointments which at first I entirely declined, but finally asked that I might have some weeks to consider the matter, nevertheless, he dispatched the very next day the following written commission.

Worthy and High-learned Herr Magister.

After the consistory had been apprised that the pastor over Rakoon and Pensneck, and provost over the Swedish Lutheran Churches in Pennsylvania, Magister Johan Sandin had been removed by death in the latter part of the last year, and the reception of instructions

from the Highly Praised Royal Conciliar Colege with the Most Highworthy Herr Arch Bishop's direction that the consistory should look out some proper and capable priestman to exercise the same offices and immediately propose him humbly to his Majesty for appointment, has the consistory after much deliberation and consideration of the necessary qualifications for the trust become satisfied that they find them in your Worthiness, and herewith call your Worthiness to be pastor in Rakoon and Pensneck, and provost over the Swedish Lutheran Churches in Pennsylvania, with the assurance that after the performance of the duties of those offices for seven years you shall be called home to enjoy a proper promotion in the Diocese. The consistory awaits your answer by the next post.

And remain your Worthiness'
Ready and willing servants,

Olof Celsius,
Mathew Asp,
Engelbrecht Hallenius,
Gabriel Mathesius,
L. Benzelsticrna,
Laur Norin.

Because Prof. Hallenius especially took charge of this work, and from my childhood with teaching, instruction and training had been my great patron and favourer so that he not only knew me best, but also wished especially for my best good, therefore instead of declaring before the whole consistory, my reasons for not wishing the appointment and declining the charge, I preferred to communicate with him separately and gave him my answer, saying that I would rather face inevitable death than undertake this work, for I was entirely ignorant of

the English language; that Swedish was in our American churches in a great degree forgotten and neglected, so that it might be that for the first year I could do little or no service in all the work necessary to be done in the various charges committed to me and pertaining to the proper duties of a priest and consequently I should be a disgrace to my bishop and consistory and my whole Fatherland before all the people, and especially as there are so many sects among the inhabitants, and moreover that the sects of the Hernhuters are said even now to be in our churches, both teachers and hearers being corrupted by whom I shall be antagonized at once at my arrival. That I have seen what commotions these folks had produced at home in Sweden and apprehended much greater in America where there is freedom for every kind of religion and teaching. These with other reasons that cannot so properly be put down here, made this journey and this appointment intolerable to me so that I prayed with all my heart to be spared from the undertaking. But should the venerable consistory not find sufficient force in these reasons and by their legitimate authority are pleased to lay this yoke upon me or in lack of any other for the service. The honor of God and the service of the church shall have hearty obedience, and no unwillingness, disobedience and disrespect shall hinder me from going wherever in the world they might send me. The Lord's will be done.

Herr Prof. Hallenius considered this my simple answer of so much importance that he had it read in the consistory whereupon, was issued this later written commission.

Worthy and High learned Magister.

As Herr Prof. Hallenius has to-day given into the

hands of the consistory your Worthiness' written communication to the said Herr Professor, giving reasons and statements why you wished to be excused from the call of the consistory to the service of the Swedish Lutheran congregations in Pennsylvania, and the, consistory do not find the causes and circumstances to be of the quality and weight that they on your Worthiness' side ought to hinder in so praiseworthy and christian purpose as this, and so the consistory cannot on account thereof alter their well-considered appointment, and so the consistory herewith must the same well considered call positively renew with the sure expectation that your Worthiness will look on it as a call from God and not refuse to serve the church of God even in a distant land, whose inhabitants truly need a shepherd and soul carer of proved capacity and experience, which qualifications the consistory are certain that your Worthiness posesses, and will expect by the next post your Worthiness' favorable answer to this reiterated call.

Remaining

Upsula, March 15, 1740. Your willing Servants,

Olof Celcius, Matthew Asp, Engelbrecht Hallenius, Gabriel Matthesius, L. Benzelsteiner.

Laur Norin.

When I had received this second call from the consistory, with a private letter from Prof. Hallenius, and by the conversation of other zealous individuals been strengthened, I found myself by God's kind Providence entirely won over, and so finally by my answer to the consistory, accepted the appointment.

And now I was anxious to start on my journey by the first ship, but this could not be till the Doctor and Arch bishop came to Upsula, but to save time and take ad-

vantage of the season of the year, the doings of the consistory were sent from Upsula to Lund, and from the Arshbishop who was at Lund to His Royal Majesty in Stockholm, whereupon this commission was issued.

We. Fredrich, by God's grace Sweden, Gothe and Vende's, King, &c., Landgrave of Hesse, Prince of Hirschfeldt, Count of Catzenellenbogen, Dietz, Ziegenhagn, Nidda and Schaumburg, &c., &c., &c., make known that for the supply of the offices of provost, and the pastorate of the churches of Racoon and Pensneck in America, left vacant by the death of Magister John Sandin.

The Preacher Extraordinaoriness at our admiralty here in Stockholm, Magister Israel Acrelius on account of his solid learning, and good training has been humbly recommended to us. We have herewith and by virtue of our open authorization graciously willed to order him, Magister Israel Acrelius to be provost over the Swedish Churches in America, as also pastor of the Evangelical Churches at Racoon and Pensneck, wherewith we grant him fifty pounds sterling per year as provost, over which he may be able to obtain from the churches as pastor. Let all to whom it may concern be diligent in the performance of the business.

For greater surety we have subscribed this with our own hand and caused it to be confirmed by our royal seal. FRIEDRICH.

Stockholm Council Chamber, May 29th, 1749.

C. RUDENSCHOLD.

Immediately after the arrival of the Archbishop, I was on the 29th of May called from Stockholm to the consistory to receive my instructions as provost. This our expedition was the first business done by Herr Dr.

and Archbishop Henrick Benzelius, on his entrance into his Archbishopric and he gave to it great care and interest.

Just at this time a letter came from this church at Christina announcing the departure by death of the pastor Peter Tranberg. Thereupon as I had already been called, and by the King's commission ordered to the churches at Racoon and Pensneck, but this Christina Church were very urgent to have me, and as neither of us now appointed priests were oldest either in years or ordination, but both similarly situated, I requested humbly to be transferred from Racoon and Pensneck to Christina.

The Herr Dr. and Archbishop was at first strongly opposed to it, and chiefly because the consistory had heretofore been informed that such changes from one church to another here in America had not been followed by good results.

The matter was then held under consideration for a long time and dragged on for some weeks.

Finally, by the forcible representations of some good men, who were my special favorers, the Archbishop acquiesced and sent a new proposition to his Royal Majesty for my transfer, after which this later communication followed,

We, Friedrich, by God's grace, Sweden, Goths and Vende's King, &c., &c., Landgrave of Hesse, Prince of Hirschfeldt, Count of Catzenellenbogen, Dietz, Nidda and Schaumburg, &c., make known that whereas through the death of Pastor Peter Tranberg of the church at Christina, the pastorate stands vacant and for the transfer of the lately by us ordered provost over the Swedish Lutheran Churches in America, and pastor over

the Evangelical Churches in Racoon and Pensneck, Magister Israel Acrelius, on account of his sound learning and correctness of living, humbly proposed to us. We herewith by virtue of this our open commission graciously will transfer the above named Magister Israel Acrelius to the pastorate of the above named church at Christina, in the place of the departed Peter Tranberg, wherewith we grant him fifty pounds sterling per year over what shall come to him from the pastorate.

And let all to whom it may concern be obedient in the performance of this. For greater surety we have subscribed this with our own hand and caused it to be confirmed with our royal seal.

Stockholm in the Council Chambers,

June 26th, 1749.

FRIEDRICH.

C. RUDENSCHOLD.

On account of this exchange my journey was delayed till sometime in the summer, but this was not the only reason. Magister Olof Parlin who was also appointed pastor at Wiccacoe and had also received his money from the royal treasury for the journey, fell sick of a severe fever and ague.

The Herr Archbishop would by no means have us separate from each other, but when it seemed hopeless to wait for his recovery, Preacher Extraordinaries Herr Eric Unander and I obtained leave to start on our journey and we took leave of the Herr Archbishop in Stockholm, and on the 20th of July in the evening I went on board ship from the wharf in Stockholm to go direct to London. The journey went favorably, glory be to God, yet we were four weeks on the passage and landed in the city the 17th of August.

God wonderfully delivered me from two fatal dangers on this voyage. The first was, when on the 31st of July the captain and I went up from the ship to Helsingor to exchange some Swedish money, and we were in a little Danish boat

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The text for the sermon was Sirach, 7th chapter, 40th verse: Whatever you are doing think on the end, etc., and the reflection drawn from it was, a christian's right thought upon the end.

After the service was ended the wardens and church council were notified to meet on the next Saturday, which was the 25th of November, that they might consult with reference to a suitable lodging for me. This was done at the request of Henry Colesberg.

1st. On the day appointed there was a full attendance, and as I, from the the time of my arrival, had lived in the house of Pastor Tranberg deceased, and wished to remain there, the parish authorities made an arrangement with the family for a room for me until there should be opportunity to build a house or procure rooms for me elsewhere, and also agreed that the congregation should pay the cost of my lodging, but other necessaries to be furnished by myself.

2nd. The vestry promised to provide wood for me which they did the following week.

I judge it to be necessary to keep the records of the church in the Swedish language withoutany mixture of English, but the writing will be in Roman letters instead of Swedish, as heretofore.

1st. That they who understand Swedish and can write with English letters, may here find good reading,

as no Swedish American at present can read anything written with Swedish letters.

2nd. The latin letters are much used in Sweden at this time, and the use of them both in writing and printing is increasing fast, so that even those books which are in the monkish character will be printed in the style which was common before the monks altered the letters.

3d. I have bought a number of Swedish psalm books in the same style with the approval of the Archbishop, and as they seem to be in demand on account of the style, I have written for more, and also humbly requested that the books sent hereafter may be of the same sort, thus making the instruction of the youth more easy. My successors who will reap the harvest of this, I hope will never deviate from this, and also will earnestly endeavor to keep up the knowledge of the Swedish language, their mother tongue, which is now much declined.

Following the example of my good old predecessors, especially the happily deceased Provost Magister Ericus Biork and Magister Andreas Hessellius whose ashes I revere in their graves, and whose memory shall be a perpetual blessing for their great zeal for God's glory, the improvement in faith and piety of the church here and the honor of their dear Fatherland in a so far distant region of this world.

When I contemplate their official energy, their exemplary walk and indescribable patience, I beseech my God that he will grant me in their spirit to be doubly laborious, nevertheless I shall deem myself happy if I shall be able to attain to the half of their performances.

Following their example I say, I will write down the present state of the church here, and these altertions,

which our Sweedish congregations have undergone since so many different races, religions and sects have mixed themselves in such alterations as the first Swedish teachers could not have imagined. I read with reverence the most minute record of the transactions of the church under my very meritorious predecessors, and however unecessary some parts seem at first view, yet they explain to the newly arrived teacher the character of the people and the state of the congregation in times past, and in what I shall myself record or cause to be recorded I presume on a like kind judgement by my successors.

The christian teaching is in a very sorrowful state, both as to quality and practice. From the time of the departure of Provost Andreas Hessellius no Swedish school has been kept, and the children have gone to English schoolmasters who have simply taught them to read. Some of the people have taught their children in the Swedish so far as they thought necessary. The late Pastor Tranbergis said to have sometimes catechized thechildren, but as no record was kept, I do not know what children they were, nor what prayers were used and taught. Another sign of great ignorance and doctrine is, that the Lord's Supper is fallen into contempt.

Some few old persons, and very few of them, come thereto. The first time the communion was administered by me only two persons partook thereof, though this holy ordinance had not been celebrated in the church for long over a year.

There are many persons thirty, forty or more years old, who have never been to the communion. Baptisms have been deferred till the children were six, seven and eight weeks old, especially when the mother was sick, as the custom has been largely introduced for the par-

ents to stand as sponsors for their children. There is no certainty on what holy days services should be held The graves have been dug when the people should have been in church and after the service the corpse has been brought without any previous announcement and a new service asked for. On the women's side no song was heard, and hardly a single person made use of a psalm book, though the pews were well supplied with books, but they were mostly torn and loose from the cover.

Nobody seemed to care to announce their children for baptism, that their name, age and witnesses might be recorded. All these circumstances were to me cause of great anxiety and consideration, at the beginning of my ministry, and how by the help of the Supreme, these errors and disorders might be corrected.

On the 27th of December a general parish meeting was called and the following matters were presented and acted upon.

1st. That for the better order the service shall begin between St. Michael's day and the first of May at eleven o'clock, but for the rest of the summer at 10 o'clock.

2nd. The congregation were admonished not to delay the baptism of their children over eight days, or if it be cold wintry weather, or if they live at a great distance not over two weeks, otherwise a great responsibility will lie on the parents if their children should die unbaptized.

3rd. I stated to them that I felt heartfelt pain and anxiety because the Holy Sacrament of the Lord's Supper had come into great neglect and contempt; that many old and decrepit people never come to it, and the youth care nothing at all about it. That some old people, sick, long confined in bed die without request-

ing their teacher to come to them and administer the dear and blessed sacrament. The congregation was urged therefore to consider what this ordinance signifies. The parents to reflect upon their own state and duty and also to instruct their children.

4th. The fact that the Swedish language had very much fallen out of use was mentioned and that the reason was that few of the youth came to church, and that they seemed not to comprehend how necessary it was to keep up the language if they expect any more Swedish priests, and how much greater the advantage to have preaching in the father language than in English and because such abundance of Swedish books have time after time been sent over, and still more to be expected.

And that now also is a good time to get a Swedish school-master, because the student Herr Nils Forsberg is arrived here from Gotheberg and offers his service.

Some of the congregation seemed to be willing, and as ordinary school keeping did not seem practicable on account of the scattered situation of the families about the country, he was received into their houses taking up his abode first with one and then with another, and thus instructing their children.

5th. It was urged that timely notice should be given of baptisms and burials as they ought to be recorded in the church-book, and they were told how thoughtless it was in parents not to afford for their children certain information of their age, &c., and that they must without delay give notice of their children who had been born within the last four years, as no record was made in the church-book during that time.

6th. Asmund Stedham being about to remove some distance from the church, resigned the office of sexton in favor of Peter Peterson. But Peter Peterson was not

content with the present wages 2£, as next summer when the church will be repaired there will be much more to do than usual and more trouble for the sexton, wherefore he would rather serve for nothing on condition that his successors should do likewise. Nothing was concluded about it.

ABOUT REPAIRING THE CHURCH.

On reminding them that the church needed great repairs and should at once be examined, I was immediately asked if I wished a new house this year and when the congregation should attend to that. I was thankful for the offer, but decided that I was satisfied to board somewhere in the town until I had seen the church considerably helped, not being able with good heart to see God's house in a decayed and rotten condition for our service while I myself should dwell comfortably. Every one was pleased with my answer, therefore the church was inspected and found in need of the following repairs.

1st. At the south door a wall to support the long side which sinks down so that the arch in the church is in danger of breaking, the wall can be made so as to serve as a protection in stormy weather and from the heat of summer.

2nd. The roof was found much decayed.

3rd. The bell needs recasting having been cracked for many years, and it should be done next summer.

4th. The church should be rid of the nests of birds which are built under the arch over the pews, filling them with excrement and nastiness, and also should be white-limed and the pews, should be washed.

5th. The north and west doors which are entirely decayed should be made anew.

6th. New windows with large panes, and to begin with, that by the pulpit which is so much decayed that it does not keep off the north wind from the preacher.

7th. A sacristy to be built at the outer wall from the door at the foot of the pulpit stairs, which door was made for that purpose when the church was first built.

To all these repairs etc. found necessary the congregattion willingly consented.

ABOUT THE ADORNMENT AND THINGS NECESSARY FOR THE CHURCH.

1st. Around the pulpit there is an old cover of plush which is ragged and faded, and therefore should be taken away.

2nd. It was proved necessary according to the custom of the Swedish church for better order and facility in finding the psalms to make use of cipher tablets. The congregation who were entirely unacquainted with them could not at once see the use of them, but with good will left it to my pleasure. Farther on is the introduction of them.

3rd. To have a week day visiting apparatus to be in readness for visiting the sick, to administer the sacrament.

4th. Mass linen which is not only Swedish but English Church-vestment.

5th. A new altar cloth.

6th. Also a new chalice cloth.

7th A new church book.

In order to furnish these, the congregation were advised each one to contribute according to his ability, and thus show his honor, but nobody seemed disposed to do this, but all were in favor of taking it from the funds of the church.

Finally, it was asked if they intended to give me any inventarium, and what was the understanding with regard to that left by the late Pastor Tranberg. It was answered that what was left by him was of so little value that it was not worth while to require any account of it. And so there was no more inventarium.

A. D. 1750.—The next Sunday after New Years, I had grace from my God to forcibly set forth to my hearers in a sermon, the great necessity and use of the sacrament of baptism, whereby a young man twenty-two years of age, of Swedish parentage, was moved and awakened to consider his lamentable condition, as he had not yet been christened. He was born at Egg Harbor, where there was no priest at that time. His parents died during his childhood and no one had afterwards taken any care for him. His name was Olof Paulson. He desired to be baptized now, but as he had scarce any knowledge of religion yet could speak Swedish, I gave him a catechism and psalm book and put him under the instruction of a Swedish married woman, hoping to see God's work carried on in him.

I made inquiry of some of the elders of the congregation if it was to be believed that he had already been baptized, for I somewhat doubted him, for he seemed to me somewhat simple. But all were positive that he was unbaptized, and also said that he had lived for some years in this congregation with his father's brother. O, Good God what christians live in this country!

It is necessary to make particular inquiry when persons of such an age ask for baptism, whether they have before been baptized or not, as a Roman Catholic immediately after my arrival brought his child, a half year old, to me for baptism, which I did, but learned

afterwards that the child had been already baptized by a Catholic priest.

The same necessityexists here with regard to marriages A woman once came to me asking to wed her anew, or as it is termed here wed her over again with her husband, although she had been living with him for seven years. The reason for this was that they were married by a Catholic priest, and therefore the marriage was not so lawful, but I dismissed her with a severe reprimand.

The second Sunday after the 13th of Christmas the tablets were set up for the first time in the church at Christina. That on the north side of the altar for the new psalm books, and that on the south side for the old or the late Bishop Swedberg's edition. At first the folk were much divided in opinion as to their usefulness, but only two or three Sundays had passed before all were very much pleased with them.

On the 4th of March I began preaching on Christ's pains and sufferings, to be continued every week in lent, which it is said has never before been the custom. The Wednesdays were selected for that purpose, so that the preaching days might not come too near together, which might make the people more indolent.

On the 21st of March, after the close of the lenten sermon, those members of the congregation who were present came together to collect money for me to buy a horse. This was done by a subscription, of which part was paid at once and the rest some time after.

Now as the horse was to be for my use in the various errands and business for the church, they gave me the money to buy my own horse, with liberty to select and pay for him high or low, according to my own free will, without regard to the amount of the subscription however high or low it might be.

The subscription was as follows:

	£.	s.	p.
Christopher Springer,	0	7	6
Marten Justice,	0	8	6
Charles Springer,	0	10	0
Henry Colesberg,	0	10	0
Hans Petersson,	0	7	9
Andrew Justice Mounson,	0	5	0
Jesper Justice,	0	5	0
Charles Springer, (Children)	0	5	0
Timothy Stedham,	1	0	0
Jonas Justice,	0	5	0
Jonathan Stille,	8	5	0
Cornelius Hindrickson,	0	10	0
Andrew Tranberg,	0	15	8
Wm. Anderson,	0	7	6
Christian Brunberg,	0	5	0
Joseph Springer,	0	10	0
John Springer,	0	7	6
Jonas Walraven,	0	7	6
Justa Justice,	0	7	6
Hans Smidt,	0	7	6
Peter Peterson,	0	5	0
William Tossa,	0	7	6
Andrew Hindrickson,	0	5	0
Rudolph Wolfsback,	0	5	0
John Loinan,	0	7	6
Lulof Peterson,	0	10	6
Swen Justice,	0	5	0
Morten Morten,	0	5	0
Ingeber Seneca,	0	5	0
Jacob Springer,	0	8	0
Philip Vandever,	0	10	0
Jonas Stedhamson,	0	5	0
Andrew Loinan,	0	7	6
Mouns Justice,	0	10	6
John Vandever,	0	7	6
John Springer Carlson,	0	5	6
Lulof Stedham,	0	7	6

	£	s	p
Gustav Walraven,	0	5	0
Peter Vandever,	0	7	6
Jonas Stedham Lucason,	0	7	6
Nils Justice,	0	5	0
Moises White,	0	2	0
Mistrice Classon,	0	7	6
	15	17	9
Of these were never paid:			
Jesper Justice,	0	5	0
John Springer Carlson,	0	5	0
Rudolph Wolfsback,	0	5	0
	0	15	0
Net.	15	2	9

A. D. 1751.—On the 16th of April or 2nd day after Easter, the congregation met according to previous notice, and it was presented to them that as the summer was now coming on it was necessary to consider what work should now first be undertaken, of what was decided upon at the last meeting, whether to begin with the repairs on the church or with the building of the parsonage house, as there were different opinions. It was finally concluded unanimously,

1. That the church should be repaired this summer where the repair was most necessary. That the north and west doors should be made new, and the whole church should be cleaned and white limed, and if the time and means would allow more, the sacristy should be built, but about this nothing further could be decided now, though this was in all respects proved to be needed.

2nd. It was resolved immediately to begin with the building of the priest house, that I might be able soon to begin housekeeping. The expense of this not to be taken from the principal of the church or congregation,

for the priest should yearly receive his salary, and the church should be kept up from the interest.

Therefore it was decided that this building should be paid for by subscription, to which a part set down their names at once and a part afterwards.

SUBSCRIPTIONS.

	£.	s.	p.
Philip Vandever,	5	0	0
Mârten Justice,	5	0	0
Joseph Springer,	5	0	0
Jonas Walraven,	5	0	0
Jan Stalcop,	1	2	6
Andrew Loinan,	5	0	0
William Tossa,	4	0	0
Jesper Justice,	2	10	0
Nils Justice,	1	10	0
Hans Smidt,	5	0	0
Carl Springer,	5	0	0
Lulof Stedham,	5	0	0
Andrew Tranberg,	5	0	0
Jacob Stille,	3	0	0
Cornelius Didricsson,	5	0	0
John Smidt,	2	10	0
Swen Walraven,	1	10	0
Zachariah Didricsson,	1	10	0
Justa Justice,	5	0	0
Timotheus Stedham,	5	0	0
Mâns Justice,	5	0	0
Lulof Pettersson,	5	0	0
Hans Pettersson,	3	0	0
Joseph Morten,	5	0	0
Jonas Justice,	2	10	0
John Loinan,	1	10	0
Jacob Springer,	5	0	0
Christopher Springer,	3	0	0
Ingeber Senere,	2	0	0
Walborg Classon,	0	10	6

	£.	s.	p.
Peter Vandever,	2	5	0
John Springersen,	2	2	0
Peter Hindricsson,	2	0	0
Henry Colesberg,	5	0	0
Cornelius Heines,	1	10	0
Justa Justice, Jr.,	1	1	0
Jonas Stedham, Jr.,	5	0	0
William Von Neaman,	1	0	0
Morten Morten,	0	15	0
Swen Justice,	0	7	6
John Vandever,	1	0	0
Peter Petersson,	2	0	0
	134	3	6

Of those the following never paid.

	£.	s.	p.
John Smidt,	2	10	0
Lulof Peterson,	5	0	0
Joseph Morten,	5	0	0
	12	10	0
	121	13	6

N. B. Joseph Morten brought some scantling.

N. B. William Derickson subscribed towards making the banisters in the priest's house, 3£.

Feb. 4th, 1758.=Andrew Tranberg and Henry Colesberg took upon themselves to oversee and attend to the building, getting materials, stone, brick and lime, as also laborers, whereby the building soon progressed rapidly.

The week after Easter Studiosus Mr. Nils Forsberg began to keep school in Swedish in the house by the church belonging to Mr. Timothy Stedham, but children were few and only from the neighboring house, there-

fore it seemed in the beginning that this school keeping could not last long.

On the 4th of June which was the second day after Easter, in accordance with previous notice the trustees of the congregation and the vestry-men came together when the following business was presented and acted upon.

1st. As now a half year of my service is past and I justly may demand a half year's pay, but during this half year have not been helped except that for the rent paid for my lodging in the house of the late Pastor Tranberg, and for the remainder of the year shall be without means. Therefore I asked that the church should bestow on me the whole year's salary previous to the 25th of last March, except the money that had been paid during the vacancy for the services of other priests which was agreed to unanimously.

2nd. That as for the parsonage house now building, lime and scaffolding have been bought, the church should be immediately whitelimed, first using the scaffolding etc. for it and so carry on both works in good order at the same time.

3rd. Andrew Tranberg said that he was under the necessity of nullifying the contract which Timothy Stedham made with the two laborers, Darby Jordan and Martin Lawler when he was trustee, with regard to a piece of meadow belonging to the priest land which they agreed to improve, but neither of which had fulfilled his promise nor given any hope that it would be done in the future, nor can they agree betwixt themselves about the work.

Therefore he had paid them 4£. 10 shillings for what work they have done, and also had paid them and some

other folk for setting the fence and putting the bank in order along the creek.

It was now asked if the same piece of meadow should be let out anew to some one for improvement.

I answered that it would be a great benefit to me if it was left in my hands henceforth, as I should not get any use of it for a long while if some strangers took it again. The vestry resolved that it should be so, and that the expense already incurred as well as what may be still necessary should be taken from the church chest.

4th. I stated that of the purse money which had been offered since my coming, I had appropriated 1£ 19 shillings for binding the old psalm books, which before lay thrown around in the church and otherwise would have been of no further use. When they are dealt out to their owners again in the church the price of binding, 3 shillings each, must be repaid by them.

5th. It was determined that when the bier cloth shall be lent for burying strangers, 5 shillings shall be paid for each time.

6th. The trustees gave in their accounts for 1749, which were proved and accepted and the bonds or obligations for the money lent out were looked over.

7th. Andrew Tranberg purchased pew room on mens' and women's side in the corner pews, which are the first in the church, paying for both together 5£ 10sh.

July 20th. The foundation was laid for the house and when the division wall in the cellar was laid, I, with my own hands, laid the two bricks which lie in the inner cellar room by the west door post next over the lime band which is in line with the door sill's upper surface.

The 24th, 25th and 26th. The church was whitelimed

for 60 sh., under the supervision of Timotheus Stedham and the sons of the present Churchwarden Lulof Stedham. The scaffolding used there was then taken to the priest house building.

Extract of a letter from the Most High Worthy Father and Archbishop Herr Doctor Henric Benzelius and the venerable ecclesiastical consistory of Upsala brought over by Herr Magister Olof Parlin, as follows:

As it is learned not only by written communication but also by printed works, that the Zinzendorfian disturbance of the sect of the Hernhuters is more and more spreading in America, the consistory cannot refrain or miss the opportunity to exhort not only the Herr Provost but the other Swedish priests not only to call on the Great God for Grace and support, but have a vigilant eye upon them and also warn their hearers and exhort them faithfully to remain steadfast in the wholesome teaching of God's word, which they have been accustomed to hear from their former zealous and praiseworthy pastors and they themselves from their youth have been taught and received.

Consistory will not in this connection omit to imform you concerning a certain well known missionary from Hernhut by the name of Arvid Gradin who for some time resided in Sweden; now since his actions have been publicly and properly examined although a born Swede, he has by a stringest order of the King been banished and conducted beyond the limits of the Kingdom by the proper officials and forbidden ever to come into the country again. Consistory considers this information quite important as it is very probable that in his present unpleasant circumstances the said Gradin will direct his course to America, and disturb the Swedish

Lutheran Church, there and perhaps under another name, such desceptions among that folk are not uncommon. Wherefore the Herr Provost with the help of all the other Priests will need to have a watchful eye over the flocks, that the enemy may not sow tares, as he through Gradin's residence here very industriously did. Commending both teachers and hearers to God's gracious protection in purity of doctrine and undefiled christian walk,

We remain,
The Honorworthy Herr Provost's
Most Willing and Ready Servants,
HENRIC BENZELIUS.

OLOF CELSIUS, MATTHIAS ASP,
ENGELBRECHT HALLENIUS, GABRIEL MATTHESIUS,
LAUR. BENZELSTIERNA. LAUR NORIN.

The priesthouse was now so far advanced that the walls were up and the roof on, but money was lacking to pay the mason and the laborers, and also to pay for the lime, scantling and the remaining work. Therefore it was necessary to remind the congregation of each one's duty to carry on the work, and to announce that they who now neglect to come forward and do their part shall not hereafter be acknowledged members of the congregation when a list thereof shall be made out.

Experience had taught me that it was useless to call them to a general meeting, for few would come, especially when it was a question of raising money. So I found it best both at this time and afterwards to avail myself of some Sunday when I saw that there was a full congregation, to request that all should remain in their seats, so that the women folk, who in many houses

rule more than the men, might have opportunity to hear what was presented, and thereafter for their part both agree and direct for the best, and also to show to the Swedish wives of English husbands that they must hereafter do their duty if they expect to remain members of the congregation.

In pursuance of this on the 7th of October, which was the 17th Sunday after Trinity, I spoke to the congregation as follows :

1st. That money was needed immediately to continue the work on the Priest-house, That those who had already subscribed should now pay the money, and that they who have not yet either subscribed nor paid anything should not hold back so. Every one promised well and the money flowed in tolerably thereafter.

2d. Now as I had already held Divine service twice in English and proposed to continue and have it every fourth Sunday, therefore, because some of the church had expressed dissatisfaction therewith, part for fear that the Swedes would be crowded out of their seats by strangers, and part for the apprehension that in the end the strangers would increase in the concerns of the church, I consulted the congregation about it and there were none who had anything against it, though none of them believed that the strange folk would crowd the church every fourth Sunday.

I also put them in mind to help me for my horse's keeping over winter, and a part of them immediately after sent me corn, maize, buckwheat and oats, therefor. On the 13 of November the vestrymen of the congregation met for the transaction of the following business:

1st. It was asked if a new vestryman should be chosen

in the place of Philip Vandever lately deceased, or if the number should remain at six. After some consultation it was resolved that as now for the most part, several on account of sickness and other hindrances were absent from the meetings, it was best to increase the number to ten, and so the vestrymen from henceforth are Timothy Stedham, Christopher Springer, Mouns Justice, Carl Springer, Morton Justice, Jonas Walraven, Hans Peterson, Peter Hindricsson, Olof Tossa, and Peter Stedham.

2nd. John Springer resigned the churchwardenship and Gustaf Peterson was chosen in his stead.

3rd. Regarding the burial of strangers in the churchyard, the enquiry was made if it should be allowed as heretofore in Pastor Eneberg's time. By unanimous resolution it had been refused as may be seen recorded in the church book. Afterwards in pastor Tranberg's time it was allowed but no record thereof was made in the church book. It was answered that hereafter it shall be admissible, for those of the English Church with the proviso that for each burial there shall be paid to the church 6 shillings, and to the sexton 2 shillings 6 pence, for a child under one year old, and for a year old and upwards 12 shillings to the church, and 5 shillings to the sexton.

Timothy Stedham took upon himself to formulate regulations which provided that whoever wished a burial should first notify him, and he should then show the application to the priest that he may record the name of the deceased in the church book, and give an order to the sexton for the burial. If the money is not willingly paid it shall be the churchwardens' business to obtain a note or obligation and require its payment.

4th. As I have lived in the house of Hans Smidt, or that part of the house which he left to his son, and am to stay until I can remove into the new house, and as Mrs. Anna Smidt on account of her circumstances now asks for money, she should have pay for the time already past at 8£ a year, and afterwards for what shall remain when I remove.

5th. What must be done on account of the slow payment of the subscription for the parsonage-house and the consequent hindrance of the work? It was resolved to take from the principal so much as may be required to hasten on the work.

6th. It was decided that no one is allowed to cut wood on the church land for any purpose whatsoever without a written order of Hans Peterson, who is appointed to oversee the wood land so that he may know who are directed, and for what purpose to cut, as also see that no trees may be sold at disadvantage.

On the 27th of December a general parish meeting was held, and the following matters were brought forward and decided upon.

1st. That as a meadow was very necessary for me, and there was no other to be had except a piece belonging to the church and lying alongside the church-yard, which from the time of the purchase from the Stalcop family has been used by the inhabitants of Rocksen, that piece might be now given to me for my use. Timothy Stedham who always especially interested himself in my welfare, had told me of this place, and showed me the boundaries all around it. But as the boundary was somewhat uncertain on Peter Peterson's side, who at that time dwelt on Roxen, it was decided to set a day when I, Timothy Stedham and the Church-

wardens on one side, with Peter Peterson and others whom he should authorize on the other, should meet there and agree upon the line as established already by the deeds and charts.

2nd. Peter Peterson said that hereafter he would not without compensation allow any church path over his land, which had been heretofore used by those coming from the west side of the town, and by those coming over Christina creek, because he had received no compensation therefor.

He now demanded therefor seats for himself and wife in the church, and though Peter could at most only ask it for his lifetime, yet to content him he was given a seat in a long pew in the first quarter on the men's side, and seats in a long pew in the upper quarter for his wife and children for perpetual time.

3rd. After the death of Goldsmith Folwell, Lulof Stedham was elected clerk of the church's estate, and Jesper Justice was chosen Churchwarden in his place.

4th. In place of Peter Peterson, Nils Forsberg was chosen sexton.

5th. Lulof Stedham's account as Churchwarden was examined and approved.

6th. John Springer also presented his, but as it was somewhat more extensive and was found not to be entirely correct, a certain day should be set when said account should be examined and proved in the presence of myself and Andrew Tranberg, and then left with his successor, Lulof Peterson.

7th. It was resolved that the churchwardens and trustees should render their accounts at the end of each year to a parish meeting to be holden in the month of May.

8th. I exhibited my account of the purse offerings for the past year which was approved, and there was enough taken there-from to purchase a new mass surplice which should be used for the first time at New Years, after the garment had for many years been disused in the church at Christina through the clergyman's own negligence.

9th. From love to God's house and beautifying God's services, Timothy Stedham gave a white altar cover because the former one was altogether abominable.

10th. It was decided that the seats in the church should be numbered and a list be made of them with names of those who rightly possess them.

At the end of this year certain authorized persons came to me from St. James' Church desiring meto hold Divine service in their church once a month, sometimes on Sunday and sometimes on a week day, which I promised to do if Christina church will assent to it. And as the congregation have agreed to it there will be henceforth Divine service with sermon on the last Sunday of each month or on the Saturday preceding.

A. D., 1751.—After the vestrymen in behalf of the congregation had given up to me the two meadow lots belonging to the church and the piece of church pasture named on page 15, I had the meadow grass taken out and had it sown with clover, timothy, and ditched, as also the enclosed pasture field by the church, and made an agreement with Peter Peterson on Roksen, that in consideration that he should be freed from putting up his share of fence next to his plow land and should only be held for his half of the fence next to his marsh, he should give the watering place which was enclosed by his line, for the use of the church pasture

lot, and allow a ditch to be dug up from the Christina creek that the tide water might fill the well.

Furthermore it is his duty to throw up a ditch under the whole fence of the meadow which I and he hold, to keep the sheep from his meadow, while I throw up a dyke under all of the other part of the fence to keep his sheep out of my pasture.

For this fencing of the pasture land and the improvement of the marsh, I have received from the trustees, Mr. Henry Colesburg and Andrew Tranberg 15£, and what more was needed I have taken from my own money as the accounts will show.

The folk up the country had learned that I have held Divine service at St. James' Church once a month and that the members of that congregation were very much pleased with my so little service. Therefore there came to me messengers from Malborougn and Folk's Manor asking me also to hold service in those two churches once each month, and not withstanding I felt that the low state of religion in my own church gave me plenty to do at home, yet, after I had made several visits to these churches and seen how that they had stood desolate for over four years and had ten or twelve children to baptize each time, even up to eleven years of age, and heard the poor folk's request and desire to have Divine services, I consented to their request with the understanding that I shonld preach once every other month in each of their churches, leaving it to them to determine which church should be visited first as they were accustomed to attend each other's churches calculating so that I could hold service on Sunday in one or the other of these churches once a month, and at St. James' the alternate month, and also shifting the Saturday services in the same manner

so that the one that did not have service on Sunday should have it the preceding Saturday and so take both places on the same journey.

October 21st. The church vestry met, and

1st. It was agreed that a list should be made of all who belong to the congregation with their household that they thereby may the stronger be bound to their duty toward the support of the church, and as a means whereby those whose conduct shall require it, may be disciplined and corrected.

2nd. The parsonage building was examined and found satisfactory to all, and I reminded them of certain things needful, as the baking and cooking conveniences needed improvement, laying stone around the house to keep the water out of the cellar, private house, and fencing the garden, etc., etc. which they promised should be undertaken immediately.

3d. It was established for law that hereafter such a meeting should be held yearly, composed of Trustees, Vestrymen and Churchwardens, whose clerk, Lulof Stedham, should be ordered to look over the accounts and see that they are correct before they are subscribed.

On the 7th of November, I removed into the new priest-house and although there was much still undone I made myself in the meantime as comfortable as I could.

A. D. 1752.—On the 27th of January there was a meeting of the vestry, and

1st. We looked over, proved, and through the clerk Lulof Stedham confirmed the yearly accounts.

2d. Appointed Morton Mortonsson sexton.

3d. In place of Jonas Walraven deceased, Justa Justice, Sen., was chosen, and in case he will not accept, his son, Nils Justice, shall have the office.

4th. On my representation it was resolved that when a funeral sermon is preached, the body shall first be buried and then the sermon preached, in order that the corpse may not be carried into the church and stand there through Divine service, and thereby work scandal, in part for the simple who from this ceremony come to think they are nearer salvation if first brought into the church before being buried, and partly for some who will say of malice that the custom is Romish, whence it has come to pass that this ceremony of carrying the corpse in and out of the church and standing on the bier before the pulpit during Divine service, is entirely discontinued in Sweden and is forbidden by the King's order.

It was also added that certain of the elders of the church should have an oversight of burials that they proceed in good order whether at home or at the church, to appoint certain bearers to lift the bier, and one range with another, or more will run thereto than are needed and push one another as heretofore has mostly been the case. Also, that no rum drinking be allowed on the way, much less by the church wall, as has been deplorably seen.

In the month of February I began to hear the catechism in this wise. The congregation in rotation according to their seats, and then explained the leading christian doctrines, putting questions sometimes generally that any might answer who were disposed, that no one and especially the young might be discouraged.

The youth were examined in Swedish so far as practicable, and all were encouraged and exhorted to stick to their native speech with strong determination. Those who could not express themselves in Swedish had liberty to read in English.

At first very few came together, then the number increased more and more. I also made a list of all who by right belonged to the church, whether they understood Swedish or English and have the right to go to the Lord's Supper henceforth.

In accordance with notice previously given, there was a general parish meeting on Midsummer's day, when the arrangement of the seats in the church was made according to the old seat list made at the building of the church and its consecration, inquiry was made for the heirs who have a right to their forefathers' seats, and the families who have gained rights through exchange or purchase which are recorded.

But as few were present and some discrepancies appeared, we postponed this business till the remainder of the year should be passed.

On the 17th of September a parish meeting was again held. The pastor presented to the meeting two questions:

1st. If they who now possess the dwellings where others not a kin formerly lived, and had helped build the church, now merely on account of possession have a right to seats in the church. There were various opinions expressed. The case was decided by a vote, that he who could not show that he had purchased the right to the seat as well as to his homestead, could not claim the seat.

2nd. How they ought to be considered who though truly heirs of the seats as well as the homestead but seldom or never go to church, or never help towards the general expenses of the congregation.

This question the meeting concluded to consider at some other time. The pew list was further examined and written anew, but final action was deferred

to another time. The design is to wait till the church repairing comes on when we shall see if they are as unwilling to help as they have already been with building the priest house.

The pastor represented to the congregation how unjustly it went in the payment of his salary, and how the trustees keep the affairs of the estate of the church in darkness, that nobody knows in the congregation, or the priest, what the two parts of the churches income amount to which are appropriated for the payment of the salary of the priest.

That as no security or caution are given for the money of the church loaned out, it does not appear how one sum after another is lost by those who become bankrupt, and how both rents and interest are so in arrears that the trustees now say they cannot hardly pay half what belongs to the priest, and also the pastor can never get any of his salary without endless begging and nagging the trustees, when they finally pay him at their pleasure, without showing him how much was rightly due him; wherefore the pastor would have them understand that he now was tired of any longer standing under the trustees grace; that as he serves the congregation he will hold the church responsible for his salary, and get it from them, and made the following demand on the congregation which was consented to in the following manner:

1st. That the list of bonds for the money lent out by the church which was given up on the 1st of May, 1750, and afterwards taken away, must again be brought forward. Mr. Henry Colesberg said that he had a copy of the list which he would bring forward.

2nd. That the church chest should be carried to the

priest house and stand on the lower floor, for fear of fire. This was agreed to.

N. B.—Hitherto the chest had stood on the upper stairs in Mr. Tranberg's house.

3d. That all bonds or obligations should permanently remain in the church chest and not be carried around the country, some held by Mr. Tranberg on one side of the creek and others by Mr. Colesberg on the other side. It was also agreed and ordered that the key which heretofore had been in the keeping of Mr. Colesberg, should henceforth remain in the hands of the pastor, and also that an inventory should be taken of the contents of the chest that nobody could say that anything had been lost after the chest came into the priest house

4th. That full security must be obtained for the money loaned by the church. It was resolved that there ought to be a judgment bond with two responsible men as indorsers or a mortgage of land, and that the bonds must be renewed next March 25th.

5th. That as far as possible the principal for land sold and money lent must be examined into every year, and also all other accounts, agreed to.

6th. That all yearly accounts must stand in regular form beginning with the 25th of March and ending with it. With yearly list of bonds with interest thereon and interest paid, as also what interest remains unpaid at the end of the year. What rents have been collected and what stand back with statement of all rents, and yet more, a division betwixt the pastor and the church of what had come in as well as of that which is back, &c., which was all agreed to.

A. D. 1753.—Parish meeting 12th June, or 3d day of Easter.

Now was the church's chest removed into the parsonage, according to the resolve of the past year, the key given to the priest by Henry Colesberg, and an inventory made by the provost and trustees of all papers contained in the chest. A full list of leases for rented lots could not yet be made out, because the trustees themselves did not know the real owners of all. When a great many of the lots were first rented, only strangers who took the lots were bound to build thereon within three years, or forfeit them, which condition was made in order that the rent might be secure. But those who belonged to the congregation and bought lots to set their children upon were exempted from this obligation. The result of this was that those who had the lots free were able to sell them at a very great profit, and immediately sold them to strangers who again sold them to others without informing the trustees to whom they had sold them, consequently they do not know who are the present owners, and cannot collect the rents on the lots.

The accounts for the building of the priest house were finally given in, about which there was no questioning except a charge made by the trustees of £20 for their trouble, but Mr. Tranberg asserted that he had given many things which had not been brought into the account. Therefore the half of the overcharge was allowed. viz. £10, and then the account was subscribed and acknowledged correct.

Also the accounts of the trustees from the 20th June, 1750, to December 5th, 1751, and from March 25th, 1752, to March 24th, 1753, were examined, when it appeared that the trustees had charged 10 per cent. for their services, which the estate would not bear, receiving only 6 per cent. interest. But Mr. Tranberg answered that this was for four years service and did not amount to

three pounds a year, whereas heretofore the trustees had been given by the congregation sometimes a seat, and sometimes a lot for their services. It was finally agreed that both trustees together should have eighteen pounds for the four years, but for the future the pay of the trustees must be more moderate than in the past, as it is hoped that their labors will be less onerous.

Mr. Tranberg presented a list of obligations or bonds held at the present time, amounting to 659£, 16s., 2d., of which at least 35£ were very doubtful and probably nothing will be gotten on them. The list which was shown in 1750 Mr. Tranberg had lost. Mr. Colesberg had promised to present a similar list, but when the time came there was no list, wherefore it follows that the trustees since the month of May, 1750, have had the funds of the church so betwixt them that no one could know the amount and hardly have they themselves known, although they have received and paid out money, taken up bonds, and lent out in large and small sums. But the congregation have been satisfied with Mr. Tranberg's word that the amount of the bonds in 1750 was 912£, whereas this last is decreased to 695£ 16 s., 2d. But when one goes further back to May, 1745, when the lots were beginning to sell, and looks at the account which Goldsmith Folwell made, he finds that the sum was 1187£, 1s., 8d.

We collected together all the receipts in the church chest and from the secret places of Henry Colesberg and Timothy Stedham, which they willingly opened to us, and also noted here and there a mistake in the accounts of Goldsmith, but could come no nearer than that 120£ was lacking, and was sunk up to this time, for we could not find that anything had been used from the original

but 50£ for Goldsmith's salary and payment for the side arches for the church.(*a*)

It was now seen how unbusinesslike it had been to have no regular account kept up to 1749, nor any inventory given from one trustee to another, but it had all been groping in the dark.

They had confided in the Quaker Folwell unhesitatingly and not heeded the admonitions and urging of the provost for an investigation of the business. But now we could proceed no further because Goldsmith and Timothy Stedham were dead during whose time the losses occurred, or at least the faults were turned on to them. For the future the management must be put on a better footing.

In the meantime as the trustees brought the church in debt to them in their yearly reckoning, and again the trustees were indebted to the church by the exchange of the bonds.

Then Mr. Tranberg presented a list of rented lots still belonging to the church with back rents thereon kept in a method and order right praiseworthy. He had also in his last accounts for the year 1752, plainly set down the interest and ground rent income which he promised to do in future, and to record the yearly settlements in a book.

Mr. Tranberg's services in the management of the business of the congregation were considered to be indispensible, and he expressed willingness to continue them. Mr. Henry Colesberg asked to be released from his office, and as none of those present were willing to take his place the vestry desired the provost to act as

(*a*) These arches were built in 1740 and therefore not paid for from this money. A settlement and liquidation shall be deferred until another opportunity.

the other trustee. But the provost represented to them that no one should be chosen who was not born in the congregation, and is the owner of as much unencumbered property as will answer to the estate confided to him by the congregation. The provost, however, offered to be assistant trustee and consult with the trustees in all business matters of the church and oversee the accounts, whereupon Henry Colesberg promised to serve in the business till next March,

The bonds were compared with the list presented. A part of them had already been changed to judgment bonds, and efforts should be made to bring the others to the same form, while the small sums should be called in or increased to the sum 25£. Meantime they were all laid in the chest for safe keeping.

The church roof was found very much decayed and the repairing first began with that. The south side needing repair, the carpenter Joseph Loinan undertook the work at a cheaper price than any other man could be found willing to do it. He agreed that the work altogether should not come to more than 4£, which was an unusually good bargain, provided the work should be well done. But the laborers that he hired to work with himself laid the shingles crookedly, and made the roof in bends so that the work will not be durable as time will show. The cost of the repairs on the south roof amounted to 16£, 12 shillings, 10 pence, as the annexed amount will show.

Mr. Adolph Benzel of New Port, presented to the church this year a pewter bowl to be used for baptism, and promised also to give a saucer for it, but as nothing more was heard of it one was bought with money from the chest, as also a pedestal for it to stand upon.

Likewise a time glass for the pulpit was given by Mr.

Peter Degner who had brought it with him from Sweden, and the church paid for a case for it and the painting thereof.

Since the church was built in 1699, the pews have been looked over and the seats regulated, but no written list has been kept, and by the setting off of the church at Penn's Neck and removal of many families from the congregation, there is uncertainty about the present ownership, therefore a meeting was held on Midsummer'sday 1752, and afterward from time to time the pewlist was adjusted, and here under inserted, signed and established. (a)

Be it known to all, that I Peter Peterson formerly a member of Christina church give hereby Zacharias Dericsson right to keep for himself and his heirs that pew room which I own in Christina in the 2nd quarter No. 14, men's side from my father Peter Petersson Canpony.

For the further confirmation of this I have set under my name and by mark.

WILMINGTON, MARCH 5th 1753.

For Witness, Israel Acrelius.

his
PETER P PETERSSON.
mark

A. D. 1754.

An account of bonds belonging to Christina Church, March 26, 1753.

	£.	s.	d.
Andrew Tranberg,	100	0	0
Edward Tatnall,	90	0	0
David Bush,	45	0	0
Joseph Folwell.	40	0	0
Joshua Little,	35	0	0
Rev. Eric Unander,	30	0	0

(a). The list is omitted.

	£	s	p
William Clark,	30	0	0
John McKindley,	25	0	0
John Vandever,	25	0	0
Henry Colesberg,	25	0	0
William West,	25	0	0
George Crow,	20	0	0
James Robeson,	15	13	7
John Welch,	15	0	0
Henry Anderson,	15	0	0
John Stappler,	13	15	9
Robert Pierce,	12	17	3
Griffith Minshal,	12	15	1
William Kirkpatrick,	11	8	4
Samuel Miller,	11	2	0
Hance Smidt,	10	16	9
William Cunningham,	10	10	6
Benjamin Hough,	10	0	0
Cornelius Petersson,	10	0	0
Thomas Ja Quett,	8	16	0
Jacob us Heins,	5	1	0
Samuel Floyd,	6	0	0
	£659	16	2

The trustees met with the provost on the 14th of January, agreeably to a former conclusion of the vestry, to make examination and find if their bonds were in right hands. It was already known that William West who was indebted 25£ had become insolvent in the last year and could not pay more than 7s 6d on the pound. Benjamin Hough had some years since been given a letter of license allowing the payment of his 10£ in ten years. Mr. Colesburg said that though he had been riding about for a whole week he could not collect the out standing interest.

The provost replied that he was the sole cause of so much trouble because he had let out the money of the

church in such small sums and into such bad hands and on such doubtful ground, that we soon lose by one and another what added together made a great amount, and besides Mr. Colesberg had let out church money to to many on his side of the Christinathat nobody knew but himself. How were they to be found in case Colesberg should die suddenly or be taken down with a protraced sickness when one after another may run away or become worthless.

[Then two pages are lost and the next begins thus:] and afterwards divided with them as he pleases. The promise is good.

The 30th of April the Provost and Mr. Tranberg examined all the leases or rent contracts for the church lands which were in the church chest, and found that the greatest part of them were of the tenor or condition that a reasonably good house should be built thereon within a certain time and otherwise the lots should revert to the congregation and inasmuch as the set time was long past and so many have not fulfilled their contract the provost proposed to take back all such lots in the following manner, viz.: that the lots which may be thought necessary and useful for the provost at the parsonage should be retaken and so used.

The priest may also when he has fenced them at his own expense, let them out yearly as he finds best.

As to the others they concluded by a public advertisement in the newspapers to notify those whose lots had reverted that if they would keep them they must present themselves before the end of this year and take out new leases which will give greater security to the church, as to the ground and rent, and if any do not wish to take out new leases, they must bring the old ones and pay all back rent thereon, and be freed

from further animadversion. Those who have leases on lots whereon no building is required should also pay in their rents or be sued therefor.

On the 4th Sunday after Easter, May 12th, a meeting of clergy was held at Christina, when there were present. Mr. Senior, minister of the German Lutherans; Herr Henric Muhlenberg, Herr Matthias Heinzelman, pastor extraordinary of the German Church in Philadelphia; the pastor in Wicacoe, Magister Olof Parlin; pastor in Racoon and Pensneck, Herr Eric Unander, but Herr John Abraham Lidenius preacher extraordinary in our communion was not present, but remained at home up at Manathanim, although he was given notice of our meeting in good time and this was the sixth time in succession that he had been absent from our yearly meeting.

We received the Lord's Supper together on Sunday.

On Monday the Germans held Divine service for the German people who lived in the vicinity and administered the Lord's Supper. The remainder of our meeting was spent in conversation on various matters of conscience which often come up in all our congregations.

The vestry were called together on the 27th of August and the 9th of October to consult about going forward with the improvements of the church, and making regulations for lots of the church in Wilmington and the back rents thereon. Also, to settle with the former trustees whose accounts had never been closed and balanced for twenty years, but very few came together these two times and little or nothing was done.

A. D. 1755.—In accordance with previous notice the vestry met to look into various matters of earlier and later time and all came promptly together and the following business was brought forward.

1st. Churchwarden William Von Neeman presented his account for the past year with a balance of 3£. 16 shillings, 8 pence in favor of the church which was approved. Likewise Jesper Justice gave in his account of what he had received since he had been Churchwarden and amounts to 2£. 6 shillings. Also Hans Petersson for lumber sold off from the wood lot 11 shillings, 11 pence. Church money on hand 8£. 16 shillings 5 pence.

2nd. Took up Lucas Stedham's account which had at various times been undertaken, to now bring it to a finish. Both his sons were present, Peter and Jonas, the latter administrator on his father's estate. The balance was 13£ 1 shilling, 10 pence. Timothy Stedham said he had received 6£ of Lucas as balance on settlement seven or eight years ago and yet no settlement could be shown, nor any discharge on the side of Lucas Stedham, and the trustees for the following years were answerable for the 6£ if they had been lost. A mistake of 5£ was also corrected so that the balance was only 2£ 1 shilling; 10 pence which Churchwarden Joseph Springer took.

3rd. There was further consideration of the account, of Timothy Stedham and Henry Colesburg for the time they were together trustees and sold the lots of the church in Wilmington, and ought now to make payment of all money taken for them that the books holden by them show to be due. The balance against them according to the account drawn up by the Provost was 71£ 1 pence. Anders Tranberg, Nils Justice, William Von Neeman, Peter Stedham and Jonas Stedham were appointed to examine and find how far they were indebted for that amount.

And first they should examine the books of Goldsmith

Folwell and see what money was received by him. Then deduct 16£ 8 shillings, and 3£ 6 shillings, 8 pence which these the trustees said was a gift to them and stood for lots sold to them of which there was no knowledge but that they said so, and moreover it was found that the clerk had charged to them in the book a greater sum than the deeds show had been paid, also that the back rents in some places were charged to the purchase money which presumably was taken out of the yearly reckoning. This taken all together made 29£ 2 shillings, 2 pence. Then came other conjectures from 7£ paid to Goldsmith, and that 10£ was promised Timothy Stedham for salary for two years which no one else knew anything about, yet we left this for further consideration by the vestry which could not finish now as they had sat already two days on this business.

4th. It was decided at this meeting that vacant lots on the hill may be sold as opportunity occurs, and the lots around the priest house taken back last year should be resold. Also it was thought best that the square around the Quaker's meeting house which has heretofore lain open, should be fenced in and used by the provost in whatever way may seem best.

5th. In accordance with the suggestion of Henry Colesberg, it was thought best that the sexton dig the graves for the bodies of the people of the congregation the same as for strangers, and have oversight of the burials, as often there is great disorder at burials when the sexton is not present, and that he have for his trouble whether it be greater or less, 3 shillings for these of the congregation, and for strangers 5 shillings for adults, and 2 shillings 6d. for children, and to this all consented, as also William Von Neeman the present sexton.

Correspondence with the English Missionary Mr. Thomas Thomsson at Chester.

CHESTER, February 15, 1755.

Rev. Sir:

I respect you as a brother cleryman, but more as a gentleman of honour, and desire the favour of you not to officiate at Hook, which is no part of your charge.

The Archbishop of Upsal won't take it well that his Dean here encroaches on the province of a church of England Missionary.

I am

Your affectionate brother,

To the Rev. Mr. Acrelius. and most humble servant,

Thomas Thomson.

a This correspondence is in English and literally copied.

WILMINGTON, 25TH. OF FEB., 1755.

Dear Sir :

By ye letter I learn that you have made some reflection upon my character. At first you were pleased to honour me with a fine compliment, and at last with a stroke of correction. I take it no worse than a mark of brotherly affection, however it might have been better if some proper enquiry had been made in the matter before you charged me with the character of a troublesome neighbour. I know it to be not only a part, but of my charge also a particular duty to preach the Gospel, to visit the afflicted, to instruct and baptize old and young, whenever called upon wherever relief is not else to be had and without delay of any and ordinary business in the congregation where I am settled. I know it to be not only duty of me but also of every minister of the Church of Christ.

The good people at Marcus Hook hath very earnestly pressed upon me these several years in their behalf, since they have appeared desolate and abandoned, I have been

very loth to meddle with them, considering their great misunderstanding with you their proper minister, and of late have entered into no farther engagement with them than what should be agreeable to you and convenient to me. I have suffered some hardships indeed on that account and received not a morsel of advantage. To the fair promises made, I have given no reflection at all, being to well acquainted with the subscriptions of this country.

If you, Reverend Sir, don't think it beyond your charge to bestow the same labor upon ye hearers once in a month, on a week day to give them a sermon and catechise their children, which they have desired from me and which you can do with more ease and less envy, no doubt you will receive the reward promised and welcome. I suppose this is the encroachment you mean, and when thus removed, if there be anything else, do be kind enough to tell it and we shall also soon see the mending of that. Indeed, my respected friend and brother, you have as good a right to pass ye censure upon me as any man in these parts. But being on an equal footing with you, do consider that it is as unbecoming to you to signify upon what terms I shall stand or fall before my Archbishop of Upsala, as it would be to me to give you some hints how far the Lord Bishop of London hath more or less reason to examine and approve of the particulars of your conduct.

I am, Reverend Sir,
Your Affectionate Brother
and Most Obedient Servant,
ISRAEL ACRELIUS.

To the Rev. Mr. Thomson.

LETTER FROM THE REV. JOHN ROSS, THE EPISCOPAL CLERGYMAN IN PHILADELPHIA.

Reverend Sir:

I am extremely concerned at the unhappy differences now existing between Mr. Thomson of Chester, and his people; when or how a reconciliation will be brought about, God only knows, but no prospect of that at present appears to me. I have seen his letter to you, complaining of your encroaching (as he calls it,) on his province, with your elegant answer, I have heard the complaint of some very sober, sensible people of Chichester who are distressed with the thoughts of your forsaking them, and on the whole have reflected that we have little reason to expect cordial meeting between Mr. Thomson and that people. And for want of a pious gentleman to officiate and perform Divine service occasionally, the people will scatter and dwindle away, and the cause of the church suffer. I cannot but think it advisable to request your favor to visit this people at the times you lately have done, to perform Divine service among them, more especially as the church at Chichester is not particularly annexed to the mission of Chester, but is at the pleasure of the Missionary to attend it or not.

Excuse this trouble from
Rev. Sir, your most affectionate
Humble Servant,
JOHN ROSS.

Chester, February 28th, 1755.
To the Rev. Mr. Israel Acrelius.

CHESTER, March, 1755.

To the Reverend Mr. Acrelius,
Dean of the Swede Churches in
Pennsylvania, at Wilmington.

Reverend Sir:

Your favor of February 25, 1755, confirmed me in my

opinion of your good judgment and upright heart. Dear Friend and Brother, if my calling your duty of a minister of the church of Christ at Marcus Hook, an encroachment, and my mentioning the Archbishop of Upsala as a venerable prelate that would not approve of his clergy's making encroachments on the province of other clergymen of the same church of Christ, if this, I say, gives you offence, and appears to you unbecoming, I humbly beg your pardon, for I meant no evil, nor do I expect any more advantage than you have received.

I am, Reverend Sir,

Your sincerely affectionate brother

and most obedient servant,

To the Rev. Israel Acrelius. THOMAS THOMSON.

The 15th of October, the vestry met and the accounts of Timothy Stedham and Henry Colesberg, the old trustees, were taken in hand to make a final settlement. There yet stood against them a balance of £36 2s. 5d. at the last revision. The trustees had nothing to appeal to but their honor, murmured against the provost bitterly and thought they were treated badly and threatened to withdraw from the church, and so on, but wished by all means to have the matter ended. Those who were appointed arbitrators did not know how to adjust the case and make them free from such evident indebtedness as was against them. The elders of the church were also at a loss what to say thereon, and what was worse neither of them had intelligence enough to judge the case. Neither the old trustees nor any other in the whole congregation understood the real contents of the accounts, except the Provost and Mr. Andrew

Tranberg; but, finally, a settlement must be reached. The arbitrators again took the accounts in hand, through fabrication and various devices brought the balance down to three pounds, whereof Timothy Stedham should pay one and Colesburg two pounds, on which they received a discharge from the vestry for all their administration until this day; which discharge the provost yet had not the conscience to subscribe because thereby the estate suffered great wrong, yet said nothing either for or against it because he had done his duty, but the foolish folk neither understood or would understand their own damage, neither did the provost wish any more censure about the matter.

When three years of the service of the provost were past, he experienced various anxieties and disturbances within the congregation, partly on account of the disorderly condition of the church accounts and management of the property by the trustees, and partly because of some contrary and censorious members of the church who were excited by other perverse persons; even Swedes gave out the report that the provost stood in danger of having an accusation against him sent to Sweden, because he had preached English once a month and at times in strange places. And as the provost heard of this while his health was quite poor from a long fever, which afflicted him each year, and now in the third year he let his disfavorers understand that he would relieve them of their burden by shortly leaving his place open for them to procure a successor who perhaps would be more to their mind.

When this became known all were dissatisfied with such talk, even those who had been dissatisfied came to me; even those who had spread the report, saying they

meant only that they had heard so of two thoughtless persons, but never did give any confirmation thereto. However that might be, the provost wrote to his great benefactor Archbishop Dr. Henrie Benzelius and asked for a recall. The answer thereto came in May, 1754, with the promise to be called home as soon as any proper benefice at home in the kingdom could be provided. From that time for two years the matter dragged on with various propositions which miscarried, not to mention the providing for Magister Nasman and his family which came betwixt. But in order that the Most Highworthy Archbishop should not let his word come to nothing, he was pleased by a letter the 8th of August, 1755, to assure me that he from His Royal Majesty should procure a recall for me, and by a letter of the 22nd of the same month, he informed me that the recall was granted, and again of the following 8th of September containing the recall with another very gracious writing which were received the 18th of January, and are inserted in the Actis Prapositura.

It was left to the Provost to start on his journey immediately if he wished, in which case he should appoint Extraoridinary Herr Lidenius to minister to the church during the vacancy; but considering that various disorders might creep in in the meantime, such as that the foolish people might divide into parties, chose for themselves a pastor from those remaining here before anyone should be in due order appointed, &c. Therefore the provost decided to see his successor in the pastorate, for which he had only to delay till the 20th of May, when a commission came over for Pastor Herr Eric Unander to to be pastor of Christina congregation. The provost could not but with gladness revere the High Providence which had so directed the matter that he

could leave his beloved Christina Church, which truly had cost him the kernel of his strength, to a successor who had been his faithful friend from childhood, as also his fellow-traveler from Sweden, and showed himself already a zealous teacher of two troublesome congregations for seven years. Who also probably by the help of the Most High will be able to raise up and improve what time and strength will admit.

[ERIC UNANDERS' RECORD, &C]

After the Provost Highworthy Herr Magister Israel Acrelius was called home the 12th of January last, His Royal Majesty's gracious commission for me to the Christina Church, was received on the 20th of May, when immediately after some priests met with the provost, who freely offered themselves to supply Christina Church until the autumn, when he intended to take his departure from the country because Herr Lidenius said he considered himself bound to preach a year for the English in Chester County, and it was concluded that the removal should not take place until August. But as Herr Provost was not ready to leave at that time the removal was deferred until the 23d of September, when I, in the Lord's name, with all my family safely landed here between 5 and 6 o'clock in the evening, having before preached my inaugural sermon on Sunday, after Trinity. May the Lord grant me His grace to be found an approved and irreproachable laborer who rightly divides the word of truth.

Copy of His Royal Majesty's gracious commission to me to Christina Church.

We, Adolph Friedrich, by God's grace Sweden Gôthe and Wende's King, &c., &c., &c,, Crown Prince of Norway, Duke of Holstein, Stormarn and Ditmarsen,

Count of Oldenburg, Delmenhorst, &c., &c., &c., make known that, whereas, through the home calling to Sweden provost and pastor Magister Israel Acrelius, the office of pastor in the Christina Church in America is vacant, and for the filling of it again the pastor in Raccoon and Pensneck, Eric Unander, in consideration of his good learning and edifying walk, having been humbly proposed to us, have we therewith by virtue of this our open commission graciously willed to change the above named Pastor Eric Unander to the office of pastor over the Christina Church, receiving therewith to enjoy all the benefits and rights which from the said pastorate can fall to him. For further surety have we this with our own hand subscribed, and let it be confirmed by our royal seal.

Stockholm, the 20th of October, 1755,

ADOLPH FRIEDERICH,

C. RUDER SCHOLD.

On the 6th of November about 3 P. M. Herr Provost went on board the ship Betsy Sally, Capt. Snead, from Philadelphia for London, after he had taken a friendly farewell of friends, of Herr Provost Olof Parlin, me, and some few of the congregation who were present, and certain English gentlemen, his acquaintances. The Lord send his holy angels to conduct him the long and dangerous journey.

This day was just seven years since I and Herr Provost, about six in the evening went on shore for the first in Philadelphia, and now must I see myself here left by him, who just with seven yearsfaithful labor has fulfilled his call, and got to go home to gather the fruit of his toil. If God grants me health and my time be not doubled like Jacob's, I will however be satisfied.

May the gracious God grant as heretofore so hereafter his blessing upon my labor in his dearly bought church: Amen.

A. D. 1757.—On the day of the annunciation of Mary, I requested the vestrymen to stay after God's service, when the pastor exhorted them to set a good example before the rest of the congregation, especially with respect to the reception of the Holy Supper, which was so generally neglected by the congregation, even by many of the elders of the church.

2nd. Enquired how far the pastor should comply with the request of the English to preach for them here in the church one Sunday in the month, to which it was answered that it should be granted to them.

3rd. They were also reminded by the pastor that the church windows ought to be repaired, and he got for answer that the two which were repaired the last year were yet for the most part unpaid for. Therefore the Churchwardens were instructed to collect the subscriptions, except of those exempted by the congregation.

He also told the congregation to have the youth come in front of the choir before the sermon on Sunday, now while the days were long to be instructed in Christian doctrine.

5th. The members of the church were exhorted not to neglect the Lord's supper as has been the case hitherto even by the oldest in the church.

6th. The account of Mr. Tranberg for the past year for the estate of the church was shown, which the Church Council would not subscribe because they did not show how much of the church's property from income they had in their hands, but only what they had taken in and payed out, without specifying the balance in hand.

A. D. 1757, Nov. 9th.—A general parish meeting was held at the priest-house when the following was considered and acted upon.

1st. Swen Walraven was unanimously chosen vestryman

2d. The pastor reminded them of the repairs necessary for the windows and the church-yard and also various repairs necessary at the priest-house, and it was found necessary that the money for the purpose should be raised by subscription, and because a part always kept away when it was necessary to effectually assist in keeping God's house and the parsonage property in good condition, therefore it was unanimously resolved, that they who on this occasion refused to be helpful by subscribing according to their ability for the above named objects, shall not be considered hereafter members of the congregation, but strangers.

Those who are poor shall not hereby lose their rights if they give in their money be it ever so little, or excuse themselves to the priest or church-wardens on account of their poverty.

3d. The pastor exhorted the congregation anew that they ought more frequently to partake of the Lord's supper, and represented to them in love how very bad the influence was upon the young if the older members neglected this ordinance.

4th. It was resolved that the young must not take the liberty to run out of church during Divine service, &c., and that Mr. Charles Springer, Sr. and Mr. Hans Petersson shall be inspectors, that all may go on properly in God's house.

As Mr. Colesberg was not present his account could

not be examined at this time, but Churchwarden Mr. Wm. Von Nemen's was examined and found correct.

Read up and confirmed by the vestry, the 26th of August, 1758.

His
HANS (HP) PETERSON,
Mark.
His
CHARLES (CS) SPRINGER.
Mark.
His
TIMOTHEUS (TS) STEDHAM,
Mark.
NEILS. JUSTICE,
JUSTA WALRAVEN.

A. D. 1758, August 26th.—A general parish meeting was held when the following business was brought forward and decided upon.

1st. The records of the last year were read up, approved and subscribed by some of the vestry in behalf of all which the pastor explained to be necessary, partly that no one may say that anything is set down in the church book which has not been approved by the church council, partly that no one may plead ignorance of what had been resolved and it was agreed and settled that always hereafter this course shall be pursued.

2d. A subscription was started for the church windows and a new door and an agreement made with the joiner, Fredrick Tassy to do the work.

3d. The trustees presented two accounts for 1756 and 1757, which had been so long backstanding, which the pastor after he had read them through, held to be very incomplete and out of order, in that they not by one word showed what they had in charge of either interest or ground rents, but only gave the amount of

what had been received and paid out since their last settlement, therefore, it was impossible to know from the accounts how large the yearly income of the church was, how much interest or ground rents were backstanding or in their hands. Mr. Tranburg answered that Provost Acrelius always accepted such accounts, and showed several of the same sort; nevertheless the vestry maintained that a better account was needed for the church and to that end appointed the pastor, Mr. Neils Justice and Mr. Gustaf Walraven to examine the church accounts with the trustees on some day which they should agree upon.

On the 2d of October, 1759, the above doings were read up and approved.

NEILS JUSTICE,
JUSTA WALRAVEN,
WM. TASSY.

In accordance with what was resolved in the last meeting, those whom it concerned agreed on a certain day for examination of the accounts of the trustees, against which, after it was announced in the church, Mr. Tranberg protested, saying that he was appointed by court on certain business at New Port. It therefore, was agreed between him and the pastor that the meeting should be postponed until the next week. The pastor then went to Philadelphia and Tranberg promised to give notice of the postponement. Notwithstanding this agreement between the pastor and Mr. Tranberg, those who were appointed, together with some of the elders of the congregation met, who, on being questioned, afterwards said they had not found anything wrong in the accounts which Tranberg had shown them and

believed that if the priest would be satisfied it might rest.

I had not hitherto disclosed my thoughts to anyone, though I had already for sometime feared what we afterward learned, and what was now done did not quiet my apprehensions but at once increased my unrest. When I had an opportunity I told some of my thoughts to vestryman, Mr. Nils Justice, who was at once convinced that my fears were not groundless. We agreed that the matter should not rest with what was done but that the accounts should be examined in my presence in accordance with the resolution of the vestry. But before we could bring the business on, Mr. Tranberg was taken sick and finally died on the 18th of January, 1759.

1759.—On the 24th of February the Church Council met, hoping to get the church accounts from Mr. Benzell, who administered on Mr. Tranberg's estate, and had before promised the pastor to deliver them at the first demand. And also to appoint new trustees, even one also in Mr. Colesberg's place, who now declared that he wished to be released from the great trouble that he had for so long time with the church property, to which the Church Council agreed only that we must first have a settlement of the accounts for his and Mr. Tranberg's time. Meantime we consulted about new trustees. The pastor advised them to have more, that the burden might be less when one or two could make the collections, and have all ready for the congregation at the end of each year, and so in course. Whereupon it was resolved to elect three trustees, and consequently, Gustaf Walraven, Jonas Stedham and William Derickson were chosen.

Mr. Benzell could not be persuaded to let the church book and accounts go out of his hands, nor in any way give an abstract. Therefore the Church Council were

obliged to commission the pastor Eric Unander, Mr. Nils Justice and Gustav Walraven to obtain counsel in the case from a lawyer or advocate.

They therefore consulted Mr. Thomas McKean, and when he had seen the deed that had been given to Mr. Tranberg by Mr. Stedham, he said that the land was in danger of being sold by Tranberg's creditors, as it was said that he had owed more than he could pay and that the only way out of our difficulties was to obtain an Act of Assembly to restore the land to the church and incorporate the church into a Body Politic, which has a right to a succession in the future, and buy, possess, sell and receive legacies, etc., and sue and be sued, etc., etc.

In the month of May of the same year this business was brought before the assembly in session at New Castle by a petition of the church, which had with them the good affect that they considered our application legitimate, and prepared an act according to our wish and left with the Governor for confirmation. But here we had the misfortune to meet with opposition from some who secretly opposed it, so that the Governor, notwithstanding he before had not only promised his concurrence but himself had recommended the case to the assembly, declined to sign the act until he could hear more advocates opinions thereupon.

He promised to give us a charter without the assembly's assistance, because it particularly belonged to him as he in such matters represented the King here.

But by that we could not win back the land, for that it was necessary to have a law confirmed both by the Governor and his assembly. None the less we found it necessary to accept his promise, and to that end called on him in Philadelphia.

This compelled me to make many expensive journeys to Philadelphia, yet nothing was accomplished, for the greater part of the Governor's Council were altogether opposed to the case, therefore here nothing could be effected.

The Church Council met one time after another, but could accomplish nothing because the accounts for the property were yet withheld from us; all that could be gathered out of the church book was read to the council.

Through this great dissatisfaction arose because of what was inserted on page 31, with reference to the final settlement of Mr. Stedham and Mr. Colesberg's accounts.

The trustees as well as some of the Church Council thought themselves by this highly injured, and insisted that it should be torn out of the church book.

The pastor knew not what to do, as they would not be pacified unless the book was torn asunder, so he asked the help of Pastor Eric Nordenlind in the matter, when they finally effected so much that it was agreed that the Herr Provost and the other priest's opinion should be heard upon it.

At the close of October, 1759, the assembly met at New Castle, and the pastor presented the petition of the church, and finally won his wish both in respect to makingthe land secure and establishing it as the church's perpetual property, and the establishing the incorporation so that the officers of the church may have power to take care of and guard that which comes to the church under the protection of the law of the land according to best knowledge and conscience.

This act was signed the 27th of October, 1759, by Governor William Denny and placed in the church chest among many other documents belonging to the church.

On the 2nd of November the pastor called the whole congregation together in the church after the act had the Sunday before been read from the pulpit, to elect a church council. On that occasion the preacher addressed the people, exhorting them to thank God who bowed the hearts of the authorities of the country not only to protect, but to recover the lost church land, but also to protect us with such glorious privileges. The election was by ballot, in which Pastor Herr Nordenlind assisted me. The following members of the congregation were elected : Gustav Walraven, Nils Justis, John Lynan, Hance Petersson, Peter Vandever, Swen Walraven, Jonas Stedham, Swen Justis, John Hendricsron. Afterwards the pastor and Church Council elected the same day accord- to the provision of the charter the churchwardens, viz: William Vaneman and Andrew Justis.

Copy of the Charter.

Anno Triscesimo Tertio Regni Regis Georgii Secundi.

At a general Assembly begun at New Castle, in the Government of the Counties of New Castle, Kent and Sussex upon Delaware, the 20th day of October in the thirty-third year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second, King of Great Britain etc., Annoque Domini 1759, the following law was passed by the Honorable William Denny Esq., governor; that is to say

An act to redress the misemployment of lands, and stocks of money, heretofore given and purchased for the use of the Minister of the Lutheran Church called Trinity Church in the Borough of Wilmington and County of New Castle, and for the incorporating the minister, churchwardens and vestrymen of the said Church.

WHEREAS, The minister, church-wardens and vestry-men and others of the Swedes Lutheran Church, called Trinity Church in the Borough of Wilmington, in Christiana Hundred, and County of New Castle, did, by their humble petition presented unto the representatives of the freemen of the Counties of New Castle, Kent and Sussex upon Delaware, set forth, and also make appear, that two tracts of land and a piece of marsh, containing in the whole 509 acres, situate in Christiana Hundred in the County of New Castle, part thereof in the borough of Wilmington aforesaid, have been heretofore purchased of a certain John Stalcop and confirmed by his heirs, unto the congregation of the church aforesaid, and conveyances for the same taken in the names of divers persons by the appointment of the said congregation in trust, and for the use of the minister for the time being of the aforesaid church. And that the same persons have since conveyed the same to a certain Timothy Stedham and Henry Colesburg, in joint-tenancy to the use of the said Timothy Stedham and Henry Colesburg, and their heirs forever without mentioning the same to be on any trust or confidence whatsoever, although neither of them ever paid any consideration for the same, and although the same was intended for the use of the minister as aforesaid; and that the said Timothy Stedham on the 15th of July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and forty-nine, conveyed and alienated the one moiety of two hundred and twenty-eight acres of the land aforesaid, and also of the said marsh, unto a certain Andrew Tranberg, and his heirs, forever, to the use of the said Andrew Tranberg, and his heirs, without expressing any trust or confidence in the same conveyance, although the same was intended and designed to be for the use of the minister as aforesaid, and although the said Andrew Tranberg, paid no consideration for said land and marsh, which appeared by an obligation or instrument in writing, bearing even date with the indenture given the said Andrew Tranberg, by the aforesaid Timothy Stedham, signed, sealed and delivered by the same Andrew to the vestry-men of the same church; that the said Andrew is since dead, intestate, and the same land and marsh is descended to his two sisters Rebecca the wife of Adolph Benzell and Elizabeth Parlin, in coparcenary, who are not compellable to

convey the same to the proper use aforesaid, nor have they it in their power so to do, by reason that the estate of the aforesaid Andrew is thought not to be sufficient to discharge his debts, and the same is liable to his creditors. And further set forth, that the minister and vestry-men of the said congregation have from time to time chosen and appointed persons whom they called trustees, who together with their churchwardens, have in pursuance of an article or agreement in writing, signed by the said congregation, directing them to do so, leased and demised a great part of the land and marsh aforesaid in small parcels or lots to divers persons receiving a small rent to be paid yearly to them and their successors forever for the use of the minister as aforesaid, apprehending such leases to be good; and that many persons have paid the said rents yearly until this time, and others have refused, although they enjoy their lots under their aforesaid leases, knowing the said rent cannot now be recovered of them by the strict rules of law as the trustees and churchwardens who demised the same are long since dead, and could have no succession, not being incorporated. And further did set forth that the said land and marsh, and the rents, profits, money and stocks of money, arising and accruing therefrom have not been employed according to the charitable, and good intent of the givers and purchasers thereof, by reason of frauds, breaches of trust and negligence in those that should pay, deliver, and employ the same; and that they were remediless in all and singular the premises, saving by the aid of the legislature of this government; and for redressing the same, and securing the land and marsh rents, profits, money and stocks of money aforesaid, for the uses intended by givers, and confirming the owners of the lots aforesaid, under the leases aforesaid, upon their payment of the arrearages of the rent reserved and due on their respective leases, in their just rights and possesions, did humbly pray that it might be enacted.

And be it enacted, by the Honorable William Denny, Esquire, with his Majesty's royal approbation Lieutenant Governor, and commander in chief of the counties of New Castle, Kent and Sussex, upon Delaware and province of Pennsylvania, by and with the advice and consent of the representatives of the freemen

of the said counties in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, that from and after the publication of this Act, in the Borough of Wilmington aforesaid, in the Swedes Lutheran Church, called Trinity Church, now built and erected there, and the piece of ground whereon the same stands and thereto belonging, bounded as follows, to wit; beginning at a stone where formerly stood a black oak near to the marsh, and running thence north ten degrees, east three perches and one tenth to a stake where stood a thorn bush, thence north three degrees, east sixteen perches and six tenths to a stake, with eighty-seven degrees, west twenty-three perches and thirty-six hundredths of a perch to a stake, south five degrees, east seven perches and eighty-one hundredths, south thirteen degrees east twenty-one perches to a stake, and north five degrees, east seventeen perches and eighty-eight hundredths of a perch to the place of beginning, and containing three acres and eight perches. There may be one Divine and Godly preacher or minister, by a consistory of Sweden legally and duly licensed and ordained, and commissioned, and appointed by the King of Sweden, to instruct and teach, all his congregation in the knowledge of God, and of his word; and that the said minister with his congregation being natural born subjects of some of the dominions of the King of Great Britian, or naturalized according to an act of assembly of this government entitled. "An act for naturalization," may elect and choose nine vestrymen, and the same vestrymen as soon as chosen shall and may with the said minister elect and choose two churchwardens, for the taking care of all matters and things relating to the said church. And that the said minister for the time being, and the churchwardens and vestrymen, so to be appointed and chosen, and the survivors of them and such others as shall be from time to time forever hereafter chosen and nominated by them, or a majority of them, or of the survivors or survivor of them, annually on the first Monday of the month of May in the said church, in their places and steads, or of such of them as may happen to die within the year as often as the same falls out, and their successors shall forever hereafter stand and be incorporated, established and founded in name and in deed, one body politick and corporate, to have continuance forever, by the name of the

minister, churchwardens and vestrymen, of the Swedes, Lutheran Church, called Trinity Church, in the borough of Wilmington. And that the said minister, churchwardens and vestrymen, may have a perpetual succession, and by that name they, and their successors may forever have, hold, enjoy, the two tracts of land and parcel of marsh, the church and lot above mentioned, situate in Christiana Hundred, the county of New Castle and bounded as in a patent granted thereof by William Penn, Esquire, by William Markham and John Goodson, his proprietory deputies, to a certain Charles Pickering, dated the fourteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand six hundred and eighty-seven, and containing five hundred and nine acres, with their and every of their rights, members and appurtenances (excepting such part or parts thereof as have been heretofore bonâ fide, and for a valuable consideration granted, bargained and sold, leased or demised, by the aforesaid Timothy Stedham, Henry Colesburg and Andrew Tranberg, or any of them, or by any other person or persons who had any estate in the premises), without any license of pardon for any alienation of them on any part of the same, or for mortmain, or any other law or statute to the contrary notwithstanding; and also all the letters, patents, indentures, deeds, evidences, books and writings, concerning the premises, or any of them. And also that they, by that name of incorporation, shall and may have full power, authority and lawful capacity and ability, to purchase, take, hold, receive, enjoy and have, to them and to their successors forever, as well goods and chattels as lands and tenements, and other things of what nature or quality soever; and also to grant, bargain, sell, demise, let or assign, in fee simple, for term of life, lives or years, such lands, tenements, goods, chattels and other things, by the name aforesaid, so that the yearly income of such lands, tenements, hereditaments, goods and chattels, so to be acquired (together with the two tracts of land and marsh aforesaid, being unsold), by the said body politick and corporate, do not exceed the sum of five hundred pounds, lawful money of this government. And that the said minister, church-wardens and vestry-men and their successors, by the same name shall be persons able and capable to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, and to do, perform and

execute all and every other lawful act and thing, good, necessary and profitable, for the said corporation, in as full and ample manner and form, and to all intents, constructions and purposes, as any other corporation and body politick or corporate, fully and perfectly founded and incorporated may do. And that the same minister, church-wardens and vestry-men and their successors for the time being, may have and use a common seal, for the making, granting and demising, of such their grants, demises and leases, and for the doing all and everything touching or in any wise concerning the said corporation.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the indentures, deeds and conveyances of the above mentioned two tracts of land and piece of marsh, which had been made to the aforsaid Timothy Stedham and Henry Colesburg, in joint tenancy, and the conveyance aforesaid made by the said Timothy Stedham to the aforesaid Andrew Tranberg, shall, be and enure, and from and after the publication of this act, be taken to be and enure forever after, in all courts within this government, to the use, benefit, and behoof of the body politick and corporate aforesaid, and their successors, and to no other use whatsoever, anything in the said deeds contained to the contrary notwithstanding. And that the yearly produce, rents and profits of the land and marsh aforesaid, and of all other lands, tenements, hereditaments, goods, chattels, money and stocks of money to be purchased, gotten, received or acquired, by the said corporation, shall be disposed of by the said corporation for the sufficient maintenance of the said minister for the time being, and for the repairing and enlarging of the aforesaid church, and for the supporting and keeping up the said body politick and corporate in such quantities and proportions as the body politick aforesaid, or a majority of them (always allowing the minister or head thereof, two votes or voices,) shall agree, direct and order, and shall not be converted or employed to any private use, or any other use whatsoever. And that the preacher and minister of the word of God, who shall be ordained, appointed and commissioned in manner aforesaid, to the said church in the borough of Wilmington, from time to time, hereafter shall and may enter into, have, hold and enjoy the church aforesaid, with the lot thereto

belonging hereinbefore described, and the parsonage house, in the borough of Wilmington aforesaid, built on part of one the tracts of land hereinbefore mentioned for the abiding, dwelling and residence of the minister of the same church, and now occupied and possessed by the present minister, the Reverend Ericus Unander, with its appurtenances, and also into four acres of marsh, being the remaining part of the marsh hereinbefore mentioned, which is unsold, in and to his own proper use and behoof, for and during so long time as he shall be minister and preacher there without any other presentation, admission or induction.

And that no lease or grant shall ever be made hereafter of the said church and church lot, parsonage-house or marsh, with their appurtenances, or any part or portion thereof, other than such as shall determine and end, when, and as soon as any such person, who shall be the preacher or minister of, and in the said church, when the same lease or grant shall be made, shall cease and resign, leave, or be put out and removed from his said place of preacher or minister of the said church.

Provided always, and be it enacted by the authority aforsaid, that nothing herein contained shall be deemed and understood to make good or valid any fraudulent deed, grant or conveyance, made of the two tracts of land and marsh aforesaid, to or for the use of the minister or congregation of the church aforesaid, at any time heretofore; but that every person or persons, and their heirs, other than the person or persons from whom the same lands and marsh were purchased bonafide, and for valuable consideration, and their heirs, and other than the person or persons to whom the same were conveyed in trust for the use of the minister and congregation of the church aforesaid, formally called the Christina Church, although such trust or confidence were not expressed in such conveyance or conveyances, and other than the heirs, of the aforesaid Andrew Tranberg, deceased, by virtue of the deed herein particularly mentioned, shall still have, retain and keep all such estate, right, title, condition, claim, possession, rents, action, remedies, terms, interests, demands and hereditaments whatsoever, which they, or any of them, shall, and may have, or of right ought to have of, in and to or out of, the premises, or any of them, or any part thereof,

as if this act had ever been made, other than fine or fines for any alienation thereof, and other than title and right of liberty or liberties, to enter into the same, or any of them, for or by reason of any statute hitherto made for, concerning or against any alienation in mortmain.

And, be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that every person or persons, and their heirs and assigns, who at any time heretofore possessed and enjoved any parcel or parce's, lot or lots of the herein before mentioned two tracts of land and marsh, by virtue of any lease or leases, grants or conveyances, justly and firmly obtained from any of the Churchwardens or others, by the minister and congregations of the church, aforesaid chosen and appionted upon application and request made to the body politick and corporate aforesaid, and at the proper costs snd charges of such person or persons, shall and may have and receive new leases, grants and conveyances from the said body politick and corporate, for the lots or parcels of land and marsh contained in their old leases or conveyances, so that the same do not contain any other or further covenants than were in the old lease and grants, and so that the same person or persons so applying do first pay nnto the body politick and corporate aforesaid, all such rents and sums of money as shall appear to be due and in arrear from them for their said lots respectively.

And, be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid. That if the purchasers and possessors of the lots and parcels of land and marsh aforesaid, their heirs or assigns, by virtue of such leases and grants aforesaid, do not within one year from and after due notice given them in writing by the said body politick and corporate for that purpose, tender and pay unto the said body politick and corporate, all such sums of money as shall appear to be justly due and in arrear from them respectively, for their said lots, that then and in such case the said body politick and corporate shall and may grant, bargain and sell the said lots, or any of them to such other person or persons as will buy the same, and for such sum or sums of money as the same will bring; and if the same should sell for more than the sum in arrear and due for the same, that then the said body politick and corporate shall pay the overplus to the former purchaser and owner thereof, all reas-

onable charges being first deducted, and to the end that the said sums of money in arrear and unpaid may be ascertained.

Be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That if the said body politick and corporate, and the present owners and possessors of the said lots, their heirs or assigns, cannot agree among themselves, and fix the rents in arrear, or sums due for the same, according to their several leases and grants, that then and in such case, it shall and may be lawful to and for the Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the county of New Castle, upon application to them made by either of the said parties, and they are hereby authorized, impowered and required, to enter, or cause to be entered, an action by the said corporation against such person or persons, their executors or administrators, and thereupon to nominate and appoint three good and lawful men of the said county to audit the matters in controversy between the said parties, and ascertain the sum due from the said persons for their lots as aforesaid; which said auditors, or any two of them, upon six days notice given by the party so applying to the other, shall and may proceed in the premises and make their report to the said justices at the court next after such appointment, who shall have power to correct, and control any errors that shall appear to them in such report, and give judgment thereupon; and the party or parties for whom the said judgment shall be given may have an execution on the same, with the costs of that action, any law, custom or usage to the contrary notwithstanding Signed by the order of the house,

JACOB KOLLOCK, speaker

On the twenty-seventh day of October in the third year of His Majesty'sReign and in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty-nine, I assent to this bill, enacting the same, and order it to be enrolled. By His Honours command,

RICHARD PETERS, Secretary. WILLIAM DENNY.

I do hereby certify that the above and foregoing seven sheets is a true copy compared with the record at New Castle. Given under my hand and seal this 10th day of November, 1759.

R. W. WILLIAM, Mag. Rotul.

The 17th of November, 1759, was held the first church meeting of Holy Trinity Church's administrators in Wilmington, when the pastor presented

1st. That it was necessary that some of the Church Council should be appointed in some manner to at the first opportunity make a list of all writings, deeds, leases, bonds, &c., belonging to the church, which was resolved, and Nils Justis and Justa Walraven were chosen, and with them were appointed Mr. Timothy Stedham and Henry Colesberg, who should select the day for themselves.

2d. The complaint of some of the congregation was presented who think that they are wronged in that their children and particularly their daughters have to pay as strangers for a burial place in the churchyard, after they were married to strangers. Whereupon it was resolved that if they kept themselves connected with the church after they were thus married away, they themselves shall have the right to be buried in their parents' grave yard, but not their husband or children without payment to the church.

3rd. It was agreed that if any of the Church Council or church-wardens absent themselves from a notified meeting without good excuse, he shall pay 10 shillings; if he comes late and an hour after the appointed time, without showing proper hindrance he shall pay 5 shillings, and if any one goes away before the close of the meeting without leave, he shall also pay 5 shillings to the Church Council, and make afterwards an apology.

A. D. 1760.—When Herr Provost Dr. Wrangell and Herr Magister Andrew Borell arrived here in April of the last year, they brought with them His Royal Majesty's most gracious recall for me, dated June 12th, 1758, and also a commission for Pastor Herr Lidenius, to be my successor, but as the churches in Jersey were determined to keep their pastor, and to that end sent a petition to His Royal Majesty and to the venerable con-

sistory and moreover the property of the church here stood in such great danger, I made an agreement with the ministerial council that I would remain with the church till their estate was in some way secured and an answer be received from Sweden respecting the succession.

After I had last autumn succeeded in obtaining the before named Act of Assembly, I began at once to think of obeying the King's gracious recall, but as I was suffering from a lingering quartan ague up to that time and we had not yet gotten the church books nor accounts from the hands of Tranberg's administrator and so could not close them up, I have been obliged to tarry here until this time, being July, 1760, when I, through God's grace, have proceeded so far as to get the accounts so that one can see tolerably how much has been lost and how much is left. Mr. Duff, from New Port, has had the trouble herefor, and is to leave the statement with the church council at their next meeting.

Thus have I, by God's grace, as far as in me lay, worked for the good of this church of Christ, and declare now at the close that what is written down and entered in this book either by my own hand or Mr. Reinke's, is nothing but the truth, and I wish, in conclusion, all blessings of the Most High upon this God's little flock and its future teachers henceforth.

That God's grace and blessing may be upon Christina church, for all time, wishes from the heart.

ERIK UNANDER. (*a*)

(*a*) There is no record of the transactions of the vestry or congregation during the pastorate of Provost Borell from the time Mr. Unander left in 1760, to the coming of Mr. Girelius in 1767, but the baptisms and marriages, etc., were recorded and will be found in their proper order.—*Translator.*

A leaf is torn out directly after Mr. Unander's last entry which may have contained the statement of the church accounts made by Mr. Duff, but it is not at all certain as the next two pages are blank.

A. D. 1767.—The 21st of October Magister Lars Girelius came as extraordinarius to this church, the then present Pastor Provost Magister Andrew Borell, who for the whole time he had been here had been quite sickly, was now very ill, and therefore requested the said Extraordinarius according to instructions to assist him in his charge till he might by the will of God be better.

In accordance therewith the day afterwards I removed my things into the house of the provost, and on the 25th when the provost preached in English, though extremely weak, I began in the Lord's name my office in this church by reading all the prayers. And this was the last time Herr Provost was in the church, till he was borne there dead, and was buried, which took place after a long weary tearing sickness, on the 5th of the following April, 1768. During which time I supplied the congregation, preaching every other Sunday, Swedish and English alternately, wherewith (honor be to God,) I was signally blessed so that next Easter Day, Monday after Easter, I administered the first communion in English that had ever been known in this church. I was assisted by Pastor Goransson, who was then here in giving out the Lord's Supper to fifteen persons.

On the 10th, which was the first Sunday after Easter, there was preached a funeral sermon over the late Herr Provost before midday, in Swedish by Herr Pastor Anders Goransson, which was afterwards printed in Sweden, and in the afternoon in English, by the Pastor in Racoon and Pensneck, Herr Johan Wicksell.

On the same day after the close of morning service, the congregation were asked by Herr Pastor Wicksell if they were satisfied to have Extraordinarius for their pastor or did they wish for some other, whereupon the congregation unanimously expressed the desire that a petit-

ion should be sent to the authorities for his continuance with them, and it pleased the High consistory to propose to his Royal Majesty, Extraordinarius Magister Girelius, for filling this pastorate. Meantime I was entrusted with the care of the church and the parsonage, with what belonged to it was given up to me, and the congregation promised to help towards my support, as I could not draw any salary until next year 1769, from the income. Directly after, the petition was sent over to the consistory, and His Royal Majesty's gracious commission for me to the Christina pastorate was received the December following, and thus reads

We, Adolph Fredrich, by God's grace Sweden Gothe, and Vende's King, &c., &c., &c., Heir of Norway, Duke of Shleswicg Holstein, Stormaren and Ditmartshen, Count of Oldenberg and Delmernhorst, &c., &c., &c., make known hereby, that as the Consistorium Ecclesiasticum in Upsala, has humbly and respectfully informed us that the charge of the Christina Church in America is vacant, through the death of the provost over the Swedish Lutheran Churches and pastor of the church at Christina, Magister Anders Borell, and also has respectfully presented the Preacher Extraordinary Magister Lars Girelius, now serving as a missionary in America for the service needed there We have herewith, and in the strength of this, our open gracious commission, appointed him Magister Lars Girelius to be pastor of the Christina Church in America, and therewith granting him the salary and income of said pastorate. Let all to whom it concerns be obedient to carry this into effect, and for greater surety have I subscribed this with my own hand, and let it be confirmed with our Royal Seal.

Stockholm, 1st December, 1768,

ADOLPH FREDRICH,

A. ROSONADLER.

N. B.—This commission was brought by Pastor Magister Collen in May, 1770, and was, the following Trinity Sunday, by Priest Herr Johan Wicksell, after a previous introductory address in Swedish, publicly read.

As this congregation was in a very low state and much scattered, partly by reason of the late provost's poor health in the latter years partly by the disagreement betwixt him and the pastor at Wicacoe, I was especially anxious by the help of God as soon as possible to attempt to build up what was fallen and gather what was scattered. I thought the surest and best means to accomplish this, next to the help of God, would be zealous and earnest sermons from the pulpit and thorough visitation of the members at their own homes, a faithful instruction of the young in christian doctrine and religious duties, and upholding good order in the church and on all occasions of public worship. To effect these I began after several announcements from the pulpit on the 25th of November of this year between 11 A. M., and 1 P. M., to catechise in English at the parsonage as the most convenient place, and which I contined except some few weeks in winter, every Friday until the 2nd of June following, when I discontinued it for that time At the same time I distributed among the youth some small religious books, which the English Society for the propagation of the Gospel at the request of Dr. Provost Wrangel sent over to me to give out where I thought they were needed, and particularly to the Swedes at Egg Harbor, which last was done when Herr Pastor Goransson and Herr Pastor Wicksell in the summer visited Egg Harbor. I especially gave to the young for them to learn a little book called the Baptismal or covenant explained. And hereafter I will examine them in the church every year so long as God shall be pleased to let me labor in this vineyard.

The above named Doctor and Provost Wrangel left here for London, September 3rd, 1768, when I and some few of the church accompanied him to New Castle, when he immediately went on board and we took an affectionate farewell of him.

To bring about good order in the church and public worship, I called together the vestry or Church Council on the first of May A. D. 1769.

1st. When the pastor with feeling and earnestness exhorted the council as well as others of the elders in the church that they should be an example for the other members both in doctrine and life, both in the house and out of the house, and especially with respect to the cold heartedness and carelessness in using the means of grace which was shown by some of them, and particularly for the Lord's Supper, and earnestly urged that instead of the irregular and indifferent manner with which it was now received, they should be more thoughtful and have more consideration in a matter that will affect their eternal happiness.

2d. Since it had pleased the most high to call hence by death one of the vestry-men, John Lynan, John Stedham was elected in his place by ballot. The others who were nominated were Gabriel Springer, Joseph Stedham and Cornelius Stedham.

3d. They were reminded that the church needed repairing, particularly the roof which was in very bad condition. It was resolved that the money needed should be raised by subscription.

4th. There was talk about a bell, and a stove or Dutch oven for the church, but as there did not seem to be any way to get the money at present, it was postponed to some future time.

5th. A letter from John Wistard was read asking pay for glass which he had furnished for the church windows ten years ago, to the then present Pastor Eric Unander. It was resolved that as it is shown in this church book, page 39, that the vestry settled with the Herr Pastor for the repairing of the church and this same glass account was paid to him as the settlement shows, it was believed that the pastor must surely have paid the said bill, although either he or his clerk had forgotten to give credit for it, and the present pastor, was requested to inform him of these facts and tell him that the vestry would not be responsible for such long standing bills.

6th. Examined a part of the accounts of the attorneys or commissioners of the church, Nils Justice and Justa Walraven, i. e., up to April, 1768, the time of Provost Borell's death. But as these accounts included many items on which no settlement had been made, it was found to be of too much importance to undertake at this time, and therefore it was postponed.

N. B.—The pastor set before them the necessity of settling the accounts every year and that the whole income and rents of the church should be specified. That not only the income and outgo should appear plainly marked, but at the end of each year that which is backstanding should be plainly shown, so that the yearly balance may be clearly seen. It was resolved that hereafter it shall be so.

7th. The vestry was asked if they believed it would be more profitable to lease out the remaining woodland or keep it for the use of the pastor as has been done thus far.

The answer was that they believed it would be more

profitable to lease it out now while there is yet some wood upon it, but at this time would not come to any certain conclusion, but leave it to their attorneys, when an opportunity offers to act according to their best judgment and conscience.

8th. The pastor asked how much he could depend upon as yearly salary, a thing very necessary to be known so that hereafter he could regulate his house-keeping, and not like some of his predecessors, go in debt more than he could pay, as he would rather board if his prospective salary would not warrant his keeping house.

Then the vestry after having been left alone awhile to consult with each other, agreed that the pastor could not live on less than £100 currency per year, which was guaranteed, wherewith the pastor declared himself satisfied, so long as he had his wood from the woodland, as had been customary. However, it was thought that it could be bought somewhat higher to £120 or £130 at least, if not now, by-and-by, as the pastor should require.

9th. It was seen to be necessary and was agreed upon to have a better regulation of the pews in the church, and each one pay something yearly to the church for them, the Swedes to have law, right or liberty to choose first, and then the few English who lived among us. The money received should first be applied for repairing the fallen pews in the church, and then go to the priest as an increase of his scanty salary.

But there shall by an early notice be a general parish meeting called to confirm all this.

In accordance with the protocols of the last meeting of the Church Council, and particularly the 9th after these public announcements, a general parish meeting was held in the church on the 17th of June, 1769, to consult about better regulations in the church. The

pastor who did not like to see one running over another without any order, and seeing the old pew list had become useless, and none except a few of the old Swedes knew their seats and others asked for them, and besides many trades journeymen came in crowds from the town and took possession of the best and foremost pews in the churches, advised that the congregation should with friendliness agree upon a pew for either one or two families as is customary in the English church, and even among Presbyterians who pay something yearly for them.

After I had prayed with them and exhorted and persuaded to order and unity I left them to kindly agree on what pew each one should have, which praise be to God they did tolerably well, and elected three moderators, Jonas Stedham, Jr., Gusta Walraven and John Hendricksson, to set a price on the yearly gift which should be paid for each pew. On the 9th of the following August the said moderators met and set a certain sum for each pew. This pew regulation is put in a separate book provided for the purpose, which was put in the keeping of Churchwarden William Vanneaman, who was to collect the pew money and keep an account of it in the same book.

The 25th of March is set for the yearly payment of the pew money, and each one is to keep his pew so long as he pays for it, but not longer be he Swede or English, and if not paid up for, the pew falls back to the church, and the pastor or churchwardens may again rent it to whom it seems best of those who apply, without making any difference between Swedes or English, though if a Swede apply for such empty pew he may have the preference.

On the 7th of October in accordance with the above mentioned Church Councils' Protocol 3, some of the members of the congregation met with me in the church to consult about the repair of the roof, and it was decided that both gable ends should be covered with new shingles, which was done. The cost and the names of those who subscribed may be found among the church accounts of the following year.

A. D. 1770.—May 7th which was the first Monday in the month, the vestry met at the priest-house according to the charter, when

1st. It was proposed that the church should be white limed as it had not been since the time of Provost Acrelius, and then only the walls, and it now needed it very much. The proposition was agreed to and consequently the church was white limed all over except the arch, and the money therefor was taken from the pew money.

2nd. William Vanneamen stated that Wm. Tussey now required the money, 35£, which he lent to the church when the late pastor built, and which he now could no longer do without. It was resolved to direct the agents Nils Justis and Gusta Walraven, to either make up so much out of the church money or to borrow what was needed for the payment of the above named debt.

3rd. A statement of the church property and debts was presented by Nils Justis and Justa Walraven which was deposited with the other accounts of the church.

4th. Cornelius Davis requested the settlement of his account for brick work for the former pastor, which was promised.

On the 21st of October which was Sacrament Sunday, the English fine green cloth was for the first time hung around the pulpit with fringes and tassels, and the

pulpit had been painted anew a mahogany color, and also the altar railing, which altogether made a beautiful adornment. There was also a free will gift from the women of the church of a similar fine covering for the altar. A list of the givers may be found among the church accounts. The principal women who set forward this praiseworthy work were William Vanneaman's wife, Mistress Johanna Vanneaman, Mistress Springer; Gabriel Springer's wife, and Mistress Hedges an English widow, who now lived in Wilmington, and was a member of the church. After the sermon was ended the subject of a contribution for a stove was introduced and it was received favorably, and the next English Sunday was designated therefor, which was the first of November, and by a free will collection there were over eleven pounds raised, and the following days a little more was added thereto, wherefore Joseph Stedham immediately went up to Philadelphia and bought a stove which was set up at the end of the month.

The 28th of November the vestry met at the priest-house and settled the accounts for 1768 and 1769 and they were approved. But the old account for the time past they put into the hands of a committee to settle up on the 19th of December. In pursuance thereof the said committee composed of Jonas Stedham, Jr., Swen Justis, Peter Vandever, Jr., and John Hindricksson met at the priesthouse, and finally in the best way they could according to what they could gather from accounts as kept, made an end of the troublesome business.

A. D. 1771.—May 6th the vestry met at the priest-house and among other things decided that Jonas and Cornelius Stedham should rent the new pew No. 22 below the pulpit, and of the other new pews that were made Mrs. Hedges should rent one-half of the pew No.

23 on the south or men's side and Gese Bush the whole of 23 on the other side, Jacob Dericksson and John Welch No. 24, which was the last made.

Also it was agreed that a kitchen should be built at the priest house and a subscription was begun for the purpose.

On the 13th, 14th and 15th, of May this week the church was white-limed up to the arch viz: 1770, which was now the second time since the church was built.

Also several loose seats or benches were made for the aisles.

June 23rd after closing Divine service in Swedish, after the congregation had been requested to remain in their seats I informed them that by a letter from Sweden the sad news that the Most High had been pleased to call hence by death, His Royal Majesty of Sweden Adolph Fredrick King of Sweden, now of glorious memory worthy, and asked if the congregation would as has been customary petition the new King Gustavus for the continuation of the same care and privileges under his reign as had been enjoyed by the church under the Glory-worthy predecessors. Whereupon the congregation unanimously expressed their hearty thankfulness to the Royal House of Sweden and that they would by no means let such an opportunity go by without testifying the same, and request for their children and posterity the continuation of the gracious privilege hereafter as heretofore of obtaining their pastors from Sweden and to this end the following was drawn up, subscribed and sent off the 18th of November, together with the petition of the ministers and of the congregations reading as follows:

To His Most Sacred Majesty

Gustavus, King of Sweden, of the Goths and Vandals

Heir of Norway, Duke of Sehieswig Holstein Stormarn and Ditmarschen Count of Oldenburg Delmenhorst etc-etc. etc.

The most humble address of the rector, church-wardens and vestry-men of Christina congregation in New Castle county upon Delaware in North America.

May it please Your Majesty:

The many Heavenly blessings showered on the descendants of the ancient Swedes in this country from those illustrious kings that have adorned the throne of Sweden, we acknowledge with the warmest sense of gratitude.

More especially Sire has the unwearied zeal and singular care of your Royal Father in providing for our souls the word of truth, so bound and knit our hearts unto him that his name has always been precious unto us as it is this day. With hearts yet bleeding for the loss of so great a King, a patron and protector of Zion permit us Sire to approach your Royal Throne, condescend to accept of our most cordial condolence with your Majesty on the sudden departure of your Royal Father together with our sincere congratulations on your happy accession to the throne of Sweden. It is only the appearance of your Majesty at the helm of so great an Empire as of the sun in his strength, that again enlightens our darkness, dispels the fogs and mists of sorrow. The truly divine virtues that adorn your Sacred person, your unparalleled attachment Sire to the noblest rights of your native country, to the no less joy and delight of your happy subjects, than Glory of the North, than envy of Europe, than admiration of the most distant parts of the world, gives us the firmest assurance of your Majesty's gracious attention to those who though born in another

country think themselves happy in that their forefathers were born in Sweden.

Filled with this persuasion, Sire, we venture in the most humble manner to implore your royal countenance and protection of the Swedish Church in this country, and that under your auspicious reign we may continue to share the same fatherly care which our ancestors have been happy enough for above a century to enjoy under the beneficial government of your illustrious predecessors.

May the King of Kings bless your Majesty with all public and domestic happiness in this world, and when the race is at an end, may your Majesty exchange his earthly crown for a Heavenly one that fadeth not away, are the ardent wishes and earnest prayers of

May it please your Majesty
Your Majesty's most obedient and
Most devoted servants,
In the name and on behalf of
Christina Congregation,
LAWRENCE GIRELIUS,
Rector.
WILLIAM VON NEAMEN,
PETER VANDEVER,
Church-wardens.

On the 2d of October we had the misfortune that the hangings of the altar and pulpit, which had only a year ago been placed there, were shamefully stolen by a depraved and Godless person, who between one and two in the night, broke in through a window into the church, where there was also a fine altar cover of white linen, which was stolen. At the same time the church at New Castle suffered the same loss, and soon after St.

Paul's Church in Philadelphia, had its fine red antique hangings stolen

From love and reverence for God's house, the before mentioned Mrs. Hedges immediately after gave a beautiful white altar cloth to the church.

On October 13th, the ministerium and some gentlemen of the Wicacoe congregation in their own name and in the name of the other churches, called on the new Governor, the Honorable Richard Penn, with a mutual congratulatory address, which was very favorably answered by him and both were inserted in the public papers.

A. D. 1772.—On the 22nd of January the Church Council or vestry met in the rectory, to settle the accounts of the past years and especially of 1770. The Churchwarden Wm. Vanneamen's account for church reparation of roof and pews, &c., which were looked over and approved as good and correct, and subscribed, but the account of Nils Justis and Justa Walraven for the church property were given to a committee to settle up, next Wednesday the 29th, which was done on the 29th following, and Jonas Stedham, Jr., Swen Justis, Peter Vandever, Jr., were the committee men.

On the 25th of March we had a general parish meeting in which we laid before the congregation (who complained that they were left in ignorance how the rector and Church Council manage affairs,) the accounts for the years that I had been here 1768, 1769, 1770, and also reminded them of some increase of my salary, as everything now was nearly twice as dear as four years ago. I reminded them of the promise of the vestry that when the needed repairs were finished on the church, the pew money which was left should be given to the

pastor for the increase of his meager pay, see page 49, Sec. 9, and I asked the congregation if they had anything against it, and they answered nothing, and generally consented to it; two or three however are always like rotten eggs in the nest, and unwilling to help towards the pastor's salary or support the public religious worship (whose names in hope of their improvement,) I will not record this time.

The same day the congregation began a subscription for a new bell for the church, which by the XI of May, amounted to 35£ currency, which was sent by Captain Falconer to London with directions to purchase one as good as he could get for the money, but if it seemed best to give 3 or 4£ more than the sum sent, if he will advance it the congregation will make it up when he should return with the bell.

On the 12th of April, which was Palm Sunday, I preached in Swedish in the forenoon, and in English in the afternoon, and after the close of public service I gathered the youth in the choir in accordance with a public notification given out some Sundays preceding, to examine them in the presence of the whole congregation, as I had formerly examined in private on week days Certain of the older also were questioned, particularly on repentance and the Lord's Supper. The youth who were gathered round about the altar did very well in the Catechism, Athenatian creed, and many gave beautiful answers out of the little book, the Baptismal Vow, which I had distributed among them, see page 48, among which were in particular Christina Lidenius from my house, Catharine Parlin the late Provost Parlin's daughter, Swen Justis' children, Brita, Debora and Anna, Wm. Vanneaman's child Johana, John Hendrickson's child Isaac, etc., etc.

On the 4th of May the Church Council met in the church according to the charter, but as there was nothing in particular to be done, after reading and examining the charter, it was resolved not to meet the first Monday in May, except it was necessary to elect new vestrymen, or something of importance required the meeting of the Council.

November 8th. After the close of Divine service in Swedish, the Council informed the congregation that the bell which was sent for to London at the expense of the congregation, had arrived with Capt. Falkoner, in safety, and was now in the church. It was found to be four times as large as the old one and gave a very good sound, that it was believed might be heard five or six miles around if it could be hung properly and sufficiently high. But where could we hang it? The old steeple was so rotten that it would be dangerous to hang it therein, besides being so low that the church took away a great part of the sound on the south side. So the pastor suggested a general parish meeting, which was agreed to, and appointed the 18th of this month when the members of the church came together, though not so many as were wished. It was resolved that we would try to build a new steeple or tower at the west end of the church, and of stone.

A subscription was started by those present, and 120£ was raised. It was resolved that in the meantime the old steeple should be so repaired that the bell could be hung in it for the present, which was done.

November 9th, I sent 3£ by Mr. G. Springer to Capt. Falkoner to pay what was lacking on the bell. If that should not be enough Mr. Springer is to make it up.

After much labor and riding around among the more

wealthy parishioners, I have succeeded in getting new hangings with all their appurtenances for the pulpit, of crimson silk damask, and they are so made that they can be taken down by the wardens every time they are used and not left in the church to be stolen as the others were. Money was also collected for an altar covering.

The material could not be found in Philadelphia, but Mr. Fleeson, the upholsterer, sent to New York. The greater part of the congregation are very much pleased. The list of those who have given for these as also for the bell and the tower (if that shall go up), shall be collected together and deposited with the church acts and accounts, so that in time to come it may be seen who they were that honored God's house.

N. B.—The altar coverings were ready the 29th of May following, 1773, and were of the same stuff as that on the pulpit.

December 11th, vestry met in the priest-house at which time,

1st. The accounts for the last year, 1771, were examined and settled.

2d. Nils Justis, the attorney resigned his agency for time to come, and Peter Petersson wished to withdraw from the Church Council before the 16th of January, 1773, when the rents for this year would come in.

Therefore the present trustees or attorneys ought to bring in to the vestry a statement of all the church's bonds and give an exact account of all the yearly income that the church now has, and a new power of attorney be drawn up for a future trustee or collector of ground rents, &c., &c. What had thus far been given to two men, the pastor believed could now be done by one

alone, since, finally the accounts have been set on a tolerably good footing.

It was resolved that for the transaction of the above mentioned business, the vestry should meet at the rectory the 5th of the incoming January.

3d. John Augusta asked if he might not be released from paying burial fees for his father-in-law, John Springer, at the rate required of strangers, because he had been prevented from frequenting the church by blindness, which was assented to, and also for the two blind sisters-in-law, when they should die.

Joseph Stedham exhibited a drawing of the intended church tower which was approved of.

December 12th the new bell was hung in the old church steeple.

A. D. 1773.—January 6th at a meeting of the vestry in the parsonage house according to appointment.

1st. Mr. Nils Justis and Justa Walraven declined as joint attorneys for the church, delivered up the book of accounts, bonds, etc., to the minister and vestry, and the thanks of the vestry being voted to Mr. Nils Justis and Justa Walraven for the faithful performance of their duty during the 12 years they had been in office, were accordingly discharged.

2d. Mr. Justa Walraven was chosen collector and attorney for the congregation and after the vestry had executed to him a power of attorney and taken a bond of trust for him for the faithful performance of his office, the bonds and book of accounts, etc., were delivered to him again.

3d. Upon a motion being made with the consent and permission of the minister if more English might not be preached, and English service oftener performed in

this church at least during the winter season, when on account of the roughness of the weather, but few of the Old Swedes can go out. After some debate upon this matter it was resolved, that henceforth there should be English services two Sundays and the third Sunday Swedish, during the winter season when the minister shall think proper or begin to preach in the afternoon.

4th. A motion was made that whereas those who by birth have a right to the benefits and privileges of this church, but by withdrawing themselves from the public worship in it without lawful let or impediment for months and years and from contributing yearly to the support of the minister and upholding of the church, have by the ancient laws of this corporation forfeited the same, and are ipsofacto not members at all of this society.

Whether upon the same principle of justice and equity those who cordially join in worship of God in this church as many have done for several years past and now do, if they should not be invested with those privileges forfeited by the former, chiefly be buried, they and their children free from paying for breaking of the ground as strangers.

Resolved unanimously that they who are orderly in their conduct of good moral life frequent the public worship in this church and yearly contribute toward support of minister and the church have henceforth though not by birth, yet by virtue of this law, a right to be buried free from paying for breaking of the ground, as long as they continue in the communion of the church and perform the before-mentioned duties, they and their children forever.

5th. A motion was made that whereas sundry persons

generously disposed, have offered considerable benefactions toward erecting a gallery in the church, but it was apprehended the money so offered and to be raised thereby would not be sufficient for executing that laudable purpose, and whereas there is great want of room and great call for pews in the church. It was moved that the vestry should grant 50£ of the estate toward it, and that so much the better as the money arising yearly from the pews in the gallery would overpay the interes on that sum and so the estate lose nothing thereby.

Resolved, that 50£ be granted hereby for the purpose aforesaid, provided the steeple can be built this year where the door should be opened into the gallery, and provided also that the deficiency be made up by the generously disposed of this congregation. If these conditions be not performed the vestry will not be bound by this grant.

6th. After Mr. Wm. Vanneaman had given up to the vestry the lot mortgaged to the church sold at the sheriff's vendue, and bought by him greatly under the sum and interest due on the mortgage to the church, the same was offered to Mr. Broom for 47£ which he accepted.

August 3rd. At a meeting of the vestry of the incorporated Swedish Church,

1st. Whereas, Mr. Petersson at the last meeting of the vestry desired to be discharged, the vestry proceeded to the election of a new vestry-man, when Mr. Gabriel Springer was chosen in the room of Peter Petersson.

2nd. And whereas Peter Vandever Jr. expressed his desire to resign as Churchwarden, Mr. Joseph Stedham was chosen Churchwarden in his place.

As it appeared that Joseph Stedham aforesaid, had caused the charter of this corporation to be printed, and

desired to know whether the vestry would take the copies and dispose of them paying the printer's bill, or allow him to sell them. It was agreed that Mr. Joseph Stidham may himself dispose of them, as he shall think proper.

3rd. Mr. Wm. Vanneamarn set forth that he could not afford to wait upon the church, ring the bell, &c., for the small salary of 40shil. a year and only 3shil. for every grave of those that belong to the congregation, as attendance on funerals takes up the best part of two days, and therefore desired his fees may be increased, which was agreed to and resolved that the sexton have hereafter 3£ per annum, and five shillings for every grave of those that belong to the congregation, and if any choose to have the bell tolled more than once, viz., at the burying of the corpse, he shall be paid for that 2s. and 6d. besides.

4th. Whereas at a general meeting of the congregation the 31st of March last, it was agreed that as it would be too costly for the congregation to go about the building both of the steeple and gallery, the gallery should now be begun as soon as possible, there being great want of seats in the church, and for that purpose a considerable subscription set on foot whereby the resolve of the 5th of January last is become void.

Resolved, that Mr. Jonas Stedham and Mr. Joseph Stedham be appointed to collect said subscriptions, to agree with workmen and superintend the building, likewise agreed that the stairs and door to the gallery be in the south porch.

In consequence hereof, the beginning of the building of the gallery aforesaid, was made on the 23d of August next following.

December 7th, the vestry met in the parsonage to set-

tle the accounts for last year, 1772, according to an agreement entered into with the collector or attorney of the congregation, to have the accounts ready at or before the first Tuesday in December in every year.

March 25th, 1773.—At a meeting of the congregation or a majority of them in the church this day, a motion was made that as it appears the members of this society have not convenient room in the pews already built, and sundry persons being desirous that a subscription should be forwarded for the raising of money towards erecting or building a gallery in the west end of said church, in order to accommodate those persons who have not pews below in the church with seats above in the gallery. The same was unanimouslyapproved of, when Jonas Stedham and Joseph Stedham were appointed as managers to provide materials and get the said gallery erected or built, and in order to defray the expenses of the same, a subscription was forwarded, when the following persons generously gave the sums subscribed to their names for the purpose aforesaid:

	£.	s.	d.
Jonas Stedham, Jr.,	5	0	0
Justá Walraven,	3	0	0
John Hendrickson,	3	0	0
Peter Vandever, Sr.,	3	0	0
Cornelius Stedham.	3	0	0
Joseph Stedham,	3	0	0
Peter Vandever, Jr.,	3	0	0
Swen Justis,	3	0	0
Robert Pierce,	3	0	0
Joseph Springer,	3	0	0
John Walsh,	2	0	0
Joshua Mortonson,	3	0	0
Gabriel Springer,	3	0	0
Charles Springer,	3	0	0
Henry Garretson,	3	0	0

	£	s.	d.
John Fonstise,	3	0	0
Zacharias Derickson,	3	0	0
William Vanneaman,	3	0	0
Jonas Stedham, Clk.,	3	0	0
Joseph Gilpin, Jr.,	3	0	0
Jacob Derrickson,	3	0	0
Thomas Gilpin, Jr.,	3	0	0
Peter Paulson,	2	0	0
Ralph Walker,	2	0	0
Israel Gilpin,	2	8	0
John Stedham,	2	0	0
Morton Morton,	2	0	0
David Bush,	1	10	0
Thomas Kean,	1	10	0
Andrew Anderson,	1	0	0
John Sparry,	1	5	0
Peter Wolbough,	1	0	0
Joseph Elliott,	1	10	0
Benjamin Elliott,	1	0	0
John Paulson,	2	0	0
Solomon Springer,	1	0	0
Conrad Garretson,	1	0	0
John Conwill,	1	0	0
Matthias Gennit,	1	0	0
Lucas Walraven,	1	0	0
James Broom,	1	0	0
Peter Springer,	1	0	0
Mary Derricson,	0	12	0
David Tryon,	1	10	0
Jacobus Wains,	0	10	0
Thomas Rawlings,	2	0	0
Henry Colesberg,	1	0	0
Robert Pierce, Jr.,	0	10	0
Jacob Anderson,	1	5	0
William Nark,	1	0	0
Elias Reed,	0	15	0
Henry Webster,	0	15	0
Jacob Colesberg,	1	0	0

	£	s.	d.
Lucas Alrickes,	0	10	0
Cornelius Wains,	0	15	0
Joseph Hodges,	0	10	0
Elijah Wootten,	0	5	0
Andrew Vanneaman,	0	10	0
John Huggins,	0	10	0
Joseph Lawson,	1	0	0
Abram Vaneman,	1	10	0
Charles Springer Jarson,	3	0	0
William Sharpley,	2	0	0
Daniel Sharpley,	2	0	0
Johnathan Rumford,	0	9	0
Andrew Vanneaman,	1	0	0
John Stilly,	2	0	0
John Run,	1	10	0
Charles Paulson,	3	0	0
Samuel Bush,	1	0	0
Jacob Broom,	0	15	0
Swen Colesburg,	1	0	0
John Haes,	1	10	0
Henry Sinex,	1	0	0
Amount,	135	7	6

A. D. 1774, February 23rd.—The vestry met in the church to consider the letting of the pews in the gallery, which was now finished, containing twenty-five good pews. This day it was proposed to me by the vestry to receive from the pew money a certain yearly sum and leave to them the letting out of the pews at their discretion, to which I readily consented, signifying at the same time, that as the pew money was chiefly owing to my zeal, labor and industry, under the blessing of God, whereby the church has received such considerable increase, I expected the vestry would not think the whole of it too much, which would be not much over

fifty pounds, and considering that everything was now one-third dearer than some years ago. However, the vestry desired to take the matter into consideration.

March 8th. The vestry offered to give me yearly out of the pew money £40, so that with the £100 from the ground rents the yearly salary should amount to £140 per annum. To which I consented on condition of having the purse money at my disposal for communion wine, wafers, washing the surplices, etc., as heretofore usual, and that the vestry give some allowance for back-standing pew money to this day, that cannot be collected. The same day the vestry agreed that as to the manner of disposing of the pews in the gallery, they who had subscribed most toward it, had the right to choose first, and if two or more that had subscribed the same, could not agree otherwise, they may cast lots for the first choice. The 22nd inst. was appointed for this purpose, and Wm Vanneaman, Joseph Stedham, Jonas Stedham, and Justa Walraven were appointed to attend and see this resolution executed.

May 2nd. At a meeting of the vestry in the church, Mr. Cornelius Stedham was chosen vestryman in the room of Mr. Nils Justis, who declined, and Andrew Vanneaman was appointed sexton in the place of Wm. Vanneaman.

August 8th. A window was cut out on the west gable end of the church to give some air and light to the gallery.

A. D. 1775.—January 11th. The vestry met at the parsonage to settle the accounts for the year 1773.

March 29th. Application was made to me by the Hon. Harry Gordon, Esq., by letter, dated Birmingham, March

27th, for separate certificates of the following matters, *viz*: Of the baptism of Peter Gordon, son of Harry Gordon and Hannah Meredith, of the baptism of James Gordon, son as above of the marriage of the said Harry Gordon and Hannah Meredith, as entered upon the record of this church. The certificates attested by two of the vestry are here recorded at the desire of the said Harry Gordon, and were as follows: Peter Gordon, son of Harry Gordon and Hannah Meredith, born December 7th, A. D. 1759, baptized March 25th, 1761, by the late Rev. Andrew Borell, then Rector of the Swedish Church called Trinity Church in Wilmington, on Christiana in New Castle County, North America, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the corporation seal of said congregation to be hereunto affixed at Wilmington aforesaid, the first day of April in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-five.

James Gordon son of Harry Lawrence Girelius and Hannah Gordon, born August 3rd, 1763, was baptized the 18th of October following, by as above, etc.

These are to certify whom it may concern that Harry Gordon and Hannah Meredith were lawfully joined together in the holy state of matrimony and pronounced man and wife on the 4th day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and sixty-three, by the late Rev. Andrew Borell, then rector of the Swedish Church called Trinity Church, in the Borough of Wilmington, New Castle County and North America, as appeareth from the record kept at said church. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my name and caused the corporation seal of said congregation to be hereunto affixed at Wilmington afore-

said, the first day of April, in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-five.

LAWRENCE GIRELIUS,
Present Rector.

We whose names are underwritten do certify that the above is a true extract from the records of the church there mentioned.

WILLIAM VANNEAMEN,
Church Warden.
GABRIEL SPRINGER,
Vestryman.

May 10th, a meeting of the vestry in the parsonage, and it was agreed that Andrew Vanneaman continue to be sexton, and Abram Ford clerk, both to be paid out of the pew money, 3£ each.

The minister once more put the vestry in mind of a kitchen to the parsonage which is so much wanted in every family, and of the repeated promises of the vestry to get one built, thinking that as the church (which has always been the first object of his care) was now, thank God, in good order, it would be time to look a little after the convenience if not necessity of the minister. But the vestry desired to be excused this time in consideration of the unsettled situation of our public affairs, hoping the minister would be contented till we could see what turn things would take towards the end of summer or next year.

December 20th, the vestry met at the parsonage and settled the accounts for last year, 1774.

A. D. 1776 and 1777, August 27th. Two companies of militia soldiers were quartered in the church, which made all public worship cease till the 8th of September, when the British commanding officer Colonel McDonald

sent an officer and ordered me to perform Divine service for his men.

A. D. 1778, June 25th.—The vestry met at the parsonage when I settled my accounts with them until the 5th of April last, the day when my salary commenced after the death of the late Rev. Andrew Borell, the 3rd of April 1768, being exactly ten years for which they were in debt to me for ground rents, which these two last years I have deferred collecting on account of the depreciated currency, above one hundred pounds, which was paid to me by giving me back my bond to them for 52£ and by giving their bond to Dr. McKingly for 45£ which I owed him, making in the whole 97£ which is to be made good to them from the ground rents as soon as the currency gets either dead or into better credit.

Instead of the interest on 52£ for about seven years which amounted to 22£, I bestowed on them all the repairs on the parsonage to this day, together with a small kitchen I had built at my own expense and with twice the interest of the money.

A. D. 1779. April 5th, being second day after Easter, after service was over I informed the congregation that I had liberty to return home; that everything here even in hard money was two or three prices, and that my salary was by no means sufficient for me to live upon I was therefore determined to try for a passage, and I advertized the same day my goods to be sold, and actually sold the following days a good many things, as tables, chairs, looking-glasses, etc., for specie.

A few days after the vestry having met at Justa Walraven's, sent two of their body, Justa Walraven and Swen Justis to ask if I could not be prevailed upon to continue with them, and if that was the case what was

the lowest I could live upon, alleging they would do everything in their power as far as reasonably could be expected to accomodate me rather than let me go at this time. After having taken the same into consideration a few days, I answered them that I would be contented with 200£ in all, ground rents and pew money included, leaving the whole at their own disposal which was agreed to and the same year there was collected by subscription only 200 pounds

A. D. 1780.—The first Monday in May the vestry met in the church and agreed to enclose the burying ground and the lot belonging to the parsonage, which was immediately done.

A. D. 1781, May 7th.—The vestry met at the church agreeable to charter, proceeded to the election of a churchwarden in the room of Mr. Gabriel Springer and Joshua Mortonson was unanimously chosen.

A. D. 1782, April 1st.—The vestry having met at the parsonage, I laid before them the last letters from the Right Reverend Archbishop and the consistory of Upsala, which contained a permission for me and Mr. Gorranson to return to our native country, and stated that the King had made the following alteration in the affairs of this mission. That for the future if the congregations choose ministers from Sweden, they pay their travelling expenses from London and when they return to London again, the King promising to defray expenses betwixt Sweden and London. And for the future no salary be given to the commissary or provost as heretofore, but that the salary which Mr. Collin has is by special grace and to cease with him, yet for the encouragement of the congregations he would continue the salary for the assistant minister (or Extraordinarius as he is called,)

and defray the whole of his passage whenever wanting.

The vestry was asked what they thought of it, and if I should be under the necessity of taking the King's gracious permission and go home this year, especially as the salary was, considering the times very insufficient for me, and if they were willing to call another or have another sent to them upon those conditions, &c., &c.

The vestry desiring to take this into consideration, resolved to meet at Mr. Lawson's on the 18th to determine what they would do, hoping mean whilethat there would be no necessity for it at present, but that the minister would content himself with what he had, and do with it as well as he could, as they were obliged to put up with many inconveniences and difficulties these troublesome times, trusting to God that it will get better after awhile, &c.

Accordingly, the vestry being met at Mr. Lawson's on the 18th, reported that if the minister should conclude to go home (which by-the-bye they hoped he would not do, at least not at this time,) that their hearty thanks might be expressed to the King for his gracious care for the salvation of their souls, requesting that whenever the present minister shall go, another Godly Divine, at least tolerably well acquainted with the English tongue, might be sent to them, for whom they are willing to pay expenses from London.

But to prevent any misunderstanding for the future with respect to the salary, seeing what the present minister has above or more than £100, which is the yearly income from the church lands, depends entirely on the good will of the people, and the talents and abilities of the minister to keep a large congregation together, the vestry could not insure a successor more than the above mentioned £100, not doubting, however, but that the same may be increased in proportion by the

minister's zeal, assiduity, care, gifts and abilities. And the minister trusting to God for better times, and in hopes that the congregation would do what was reasonable and just towards the support of his family, consented to continue with them as long as God pleaseth.

May 6th. The vestry met at the church, agreeably to the charter, and proceeded to the election of one churchwarden and two vestrymen in the room of Joseph Springer, Senior, and John Springer who resigned when Andrew Vanneaman was unanimously chosen churchwarden, and Charles Springer Josephson was elected in the room of his father, vestryman, and after some debate whether Joseph Stedham should not be chosen in the room of John Stedham, to which the minister objected as being improper on account of his not being at this time a professing member of the church, nor had for several years past contributed any towards it, etc., etc. Charles Springer was unanimously elected. So that the minister, churchwarden and vestrymen agreeable to charter, are at present

RECTOR,

LAWRENCE GIRELIUS.

CHURCHWARDENS,

WILLIAM VANNEAMAN and ANDREW VANNEAMAN.

VESTRYMEN,

JUSTA WALRAVEN,
JONAS STEDHAM, SEN.,
JOHN HINDRICKSON,
JOSHUA MORTONSON,
SWAIN JUSTICE,
PETER VANDEVER, SEN.,
CORNELIUS STEDHAM,
CHARLES SPRINGER JOSEPHSON,
CHARLES PAULSON.

A. D. 1783.—April 4th the vestry met at the parsonage and settled with the minister for the two last years and at the same time agreed that a kitchen be built for the parsonage, and that the parsonage house be put in tenantable repair. Chiefly, that all the windows be glazed, puttied and painted, and a window put in the place of the old balcony door, and the balcony taken down etc., but left to the discretion of the minister and carpenter Peter Justis.

Accordingly the repairs on the house began the 21st August, and October 7th Andrew Vanneaman began work on the kitchen. The 13th, 14th, and 15th of October the cellar was dug out; Swain Justis sent his servant man two days, Justa Walraven his man three days, Jacob Robeson his man one day; Jonas Stedham Jr. his lad two days, and I for my part hired one man for three days.

October 16th, the first foundation-stone for the kitchen was laid. December 31st it was covered in with roof, windows, doors, staircases, one floor below, together with partitions, and loose boards were laid as a floor above, so that it could be made use of for a kitchen, but we had not bricks enough to raise the chimney sufficiently high to prevent smoking.

A. D. 1784.—February 26th, the vestry met at Mr. Lawson's for the settling of accounts.

The same day the minister laid before them a proposal for the better letting out, and renting of pews in the church, which was approved of, and Mr. Justa Walraven, Jonas Stedham, John Hendrickson, and William Vanneaman, were chosen a committee to meet at the church this day week to put the same in execution. The yearly income of the pews will amount to upwards

of 150£, out of which the minister receives 100£, the remainder is disposed of as the vestry directs with the consent of the minister.

May 3rd, the vestry being met in the church agreeable to charter, Mr. Jacob Broom, Esq., was chosen vestryman in the place of Peter Vandever, Sen., lately deceased.

The same day the minister informed the vestry that the Rev. Mr. Collin, Rector of Racoon and Pennsneck Churches, and the Rev. Mr. Hulsgoren, Rector of Wicacoe, requested the attendance of the vestry here in the church the 14th inst., when the minister would attend to receive the sentiments of this congregation with respect to bestowing traveling expenses to and from London for their ministers, for the future, according to the last resolve of the King of Sweden.

Resolved unanimously that whereas this matter was already canvassed and agreed upon in the vestry two years ago the 11th of April, 1782, that the minutes of that day be read and again taken into consideration, whereupon it was unanimously resolved to abide by the contents thereof, and that a copy of said minutes be fairly drawn out, signed by the minister and churchwardens, in order to be delivered to the Reverend Ministry of the Swedish congregations in America at their next meeting.

November 19th, a majority of the vestry being met at Mr. Lawson's agreeable to appointment, a variety of business came under consideration, but it was concluded that the whole vestry would be necessary for settling all affairs, motions and things belonging to this corporation; besides the time for settling accounts is by their by-laws fixed for the first Tuesday in December, which will be next Tuesday come two weeks.

It was therefore unanimously resolved that the vestry

do meet at Mr. Lawson's the day above mentioned, the first Tuesday in December, at 10 a. m., precisely, without fail, and that the minister give notice thereof the two preceding Sundays.

And all who have any demands or accounts against said corporation do bring them in, at the time and place aforesaid, fairly drawn out and properly authenticated, with requisite vouchers, in order to their being settled and paid, as soon as conveniently may be, and those who are in debt to the corporation by pew rents, ground rents, interest and otherwise for last year, or any of the preceding years, are requested to discharge the same forthwith in order to prevent further trouble.

December 7th, agreeably to the above resolution the vestry met at Mr. Lawson's and settled all the accounts for the last year, 1783.

A. D. 1785, May 2nd.—The vestry met in the church for the purpose of choosing and electing a vestryman in the place of Joseph Mortonson, who had resigned when William Stedham was declared duly elected.

The minister, church-wardens and vestrymen agreeable to charter therefore are as follows:

RECTOR,

REV. LAWRENCE GIRELIUS.

CHURCH-WARDENS,

WILLIAM VANNEAMEN,
ANDREW VANNEAMEN.

VESTRYMEN,

JUSTA WALRAVEN,
JONAS STEDHAM, SR.,
JOHN HENDRICKSON,
SWAIN JUSTIS,
CORNELIUS STEDHAM,
CHARLES SPRINGER JOSEPHSON,
CHARLES PAULSON,
JACOB BROOM,
WILLIAM STIDHAM.

[Copy of the letter of Archbishop Uno Von Troil, giving the Swedish ministers leave to return to Sweden.]

To the Swedish congregations in America, grace and blessing from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ through the Holy Ghost.

The death of the late Archbishop Doctor Unander, with many other circumstances which have hindered the laying before the King the business relating to the American congregations, are the reasons why the letter of the congregations through their ministry of the 16th of June, 1786 has not been answered before.

But since I have now had the opportunity of laying before my Gracious Sovereign and Lord the writing of the congregations, His Majesty has been graciously pleased to receive with pleasure the acknowledgement of the congregations for his as well as his Royal predecessors of glorious memory, tenderness and care for the spiritual welfare of the Swedish congregations in America, and as His Majesty also finds the reasons sufficient for what the congregations would prefer hereafter, to choose themselves teachers from the natives of their country, than that they should be sent to them from Sweden. His Majesty has ordered and directed me to give the proposition of the congregations His Royal approbation and assent.

In consequence whereof, the in America, yet remaining Swedish ministers, Provosts L. Girelius and H. Collin have received His Majesty's gracious permission to return their native country whenever their circumstances shall render it most convenient for them.

The King my Sovereign, still wishes with the love he bears to the Swedish name that the members of the congregations who are for the most part the offspring of

Sweden, may ever jointly and severally enjoy all manner of felicity, spiritual and temporal, and would have them at all times, be assured of His Royal favor and benevolence.

In like manner my sincere wish and earnest prayer shall, be that God with his grace may embrace the members of the respective congregations, and that the gospel light which under Divine Providence was first kindled in those parts by the tender affection of Swedish Kings, and the zealous endeavors of Swedish teachers, may there, while days are numbered, shine in perfect brightness and bring forth fruit to everlasting life.

That the Grace of our Lord Jesus with the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost be with you all.

Wisheth most heartily,

Your constant well-wisher,

UNO VON TROIL.

On the 29th of November, 1794, a meeting of the congregation was held with reference to obtaining some alterations of the charter thought necessary on account of the altered condition of the congregation in regard to calling and supporting a minister, etc., and a committee of five members was chosen and appointed to make out a list of members who should sign a petition to the legislature of Delaware at their next session for that purpose.

The committee was composed of the following members, viz: William Vanneman, Jonas Stidham, John Hendrickson, Cornelius Stidham and John Lynam.

January 15th, 1795—The committee selected by the congregation on the 29th of November 1794, to make a list of members for the alteration of the charter reported the following names :

William Vanneman,	Hance Naff, Senior,
Jonas Stidham, Senior,	Peter Davis,
Isaac Stidham,	John Vandever, Senior,

Lucas Stidham,
Charles Springer & Sons,
Hance Naff,
Peter Vandever,
Aaron Justis,
Abner Justis,
Isaac Hendrickson,
John Walraven,
William Pluright,
William Stedham,
James Eves,
John Stilly, Sen., and Sons,
John Stilly, Jr.,
Robert Little,
Cornelius Haines,
Joseph Lawson,
Joshua McLean,
Peter Walraven,
John Lynam and Sons,
John Stidham and Sons,
Charles Springer, Jr. and Sons,
Jacob Broom,
Cornelius Stedham and Sons,
Jonas Stidham, Jr.,
Jacob Colesburg and Sons,
William Tussy and Sons,
Jacob Derickson,
William Derickson,
Jacob Justis,
Henry Garritson and Son,
Hance Stampeart,
Henry Sinex, Jr.,
John Sperry,
Joseph Springer,
John Hendrickson and Sons,
Charles Paulson and Sons,
John Flinn,
David Hendrickson,
Peter Paulson and Sons,
Andrew Colesberg,
John Justis,
Jonas Justis,
Peter Brynberg,
John Brynberg,
Jacob Robinson,
Henry Naff,
Benjamin Eliot,
John Vandever, Jr.,
Lucas Walraven,
John Husbands,
Zacharias Derickson and Sons.

WILLIAM VANNEMAN,
JONAS STIDHAM,
JOHN HENDRICKSON,
CORNELIUS STIDHAM,
JOHN LYNAM,
Committee.

January, 15, 1795.

An act supplementary to an act entitled "An Act to redress the misemployment of lands and stocks of money heretofore given and purchased for the use of the minister of the Swedes Lutheran Church, called Trinity Church in the Borough of Wilmington and county of New Castle, and for the incorporating the

minister, church-wardens and vestry-men of the said church."

Whereas, the Swedes Lutheran Church, called Trinity Church in the Borough of Wilmington, in the county of New Castle, in the State of Delaware was of Swedish foundation and hath heretofore been filled by missionaries from the Swedish government to whom an annual stipend was paid by that government; and whereas the knowledge of the Swedish language amongst the members of said church hath become extinct, and the mission from Sweden hath ceased for sometime past which hath induced the propriety of excluding the clergyman for the time being whose situation is not permanent from a participation in the management of the temporalities of the said church; and whereas divers other alterations, additions and amendments to the said act to which this is a supplement have become necessary from a change of circumstances, for the benefit of the congregation of the said church.

1. Be it therefore enacted, By the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware, in General Assembly met, that the name and style, of the body politick and corporate of the Swedes Lutheran Church, called Trinity Church in the Borough of Wilmington, shall be altered and changed, and the said body politick and corporate shall forever-after stand, be established and incorporated in name and in deed one body politick and corporate, to have continuance forever, by the name of the vestry-men and churchwardens of the Swedes Lutheran Church called Trinity Church in the Borough of Wilmington, and that the said vestry-men and churchwardens shall have perpetual succession, and by the said name, are hereby declared and made able and capable in law and equity to have, hold, purchase, take, accept, receive, possess, enjoy and retain to them and their successors, an estate or estates in lands, tenements and hereditaments and personal property, with all the powers and under the same restrictions as are contained in the original law of incorporation to which this is a supplement, and that the said corporation by that name be, and hereafter shall be capable in law to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended in courts of law and equity, or any other place whatsoever, and to do and execute, all and singular other matters and things which bodies politick and

corporate lawfully may do; and also to make, have, and use a common seal, and the same to break, alter and renew at their pleasure.

And be it further enacted, That from and after the first Monday in March next, the said vestrymen shall be persons consisting of nine in number, chosen by the members of the said church, from amongst themselves on the first Monday in March next for three years; and the said churchwardens shall be persons consisting of two in number, chosen by the members of the said church from amongst themselves, on the said first Monday in March next, and annually on every first Monday in March happening in each year thereafter; and that immediately after the said vestrymen and churchwardens shall be assembled in consequence of their first election, the said vestrymen shall be equally divided into three classes, and the seats of the vestrymen of the first class shall be vacated at the expiration of the first year, of the second class at the expiration of the second year, and of the third class at the expiration of the third year, so that one-third part of the vestrymen of the said church may be chosen every year after the first Monday in March next; and if vacancies happen they shall be filled by the members of the said church at any time in manner aforesaid. Provided always, That ten days notice, according to the mode to be prescribed by ordinance of the said corporation, be given to the members of the said church of the time of the annual and, every other election and choice to be made as aforesaid; and if the annual election or choice to be made as aforesaid, be not by reason of accident or other occurrence made, such annual election or choice may be made at any other convenient time, whereof notice shall be given as aforesaid.

And be it further enacted, That a majority of the members of the said church, assembled pursuant to notice given as aforesaid, shall and may compose, and make the said election and choice; and that the said election and choice shall be holden, and made at Trinity Church aforesaid, unless a different place shall be specified in the notice to be given as aforesaid, and that the mode or manner of voting at the said election or choice to be made as aforesaid, shall be by ballot; and such election or choice

shall be conducted and managed according to rules to be prescribed by ordinance of the said corporation.

Provided always, nevertheless, And it is further enacted, that the committee appointed on the 29th day of November last past, namely William Vanneaman, Jonas Stidham, John Hendrickson, Cornelius Stidham and John Lynam, to determine and report on the right of membership of, and in, Trinity Church aforesaid, or any three of the same persons, be, and are here impowered and authorized to hold and superintend the election to be holden on the first Monday or after, in March next, and choose for that purpose inspectors, which inspectors hall not be at liberty to receive the votes of other persons than those who are reported by the said committee, to be members of the said Trinity Church.

And be it further enacted, That the vestrymen and churchwardens shall have full power to choose and appoint for one year, and so from year to year forever after, a preacher or minister to fill the said church, and all subordinate officers of said church; Provided always, That such preacher or minister be ordained according to the ordination of the Lutheran, or Episcopal Church, and hold his faith in unity with the doctrines of the same.

And be it further enacted, That the preacher or minister for the time being, shall be deemed always to be a member of the vestry of the said church in relation to any matters, affairs or regulations, with respect to the discipline and spiritual concerns of the said church.

And be it further enacted, That the vestrymen and churchwardens aforesaid shall be, and are hereby made capable of exercising such powers for the well governing and ordering the said corporation, and the affairs and business thereof, and of holding such occasional meetings for that purpose, as have been, or shall be fixed, described and determined, by laws, regulations and ordinances of the said corporation.

And be it further enacted, That the said corporation may, and are hereby empowered to make, ordain and establish such laws, regulations and ordinances, as to them, or a majority of them, shall and may seem necessary and convenient for the government of the said corporation.

Provided always, nevertheless, That nothing herein contained

shall be construed to authorize the said corporation to exercise any powers repugnant or contrary to the constitution of this State, or any law thereof, except an act of the legislature of this State, entitled "An Act to enable all the religious denominations of this State to appoint trustees, who shall be a body corporate, for the purpose of taking care of the temporalities of their respective congregations; which same act, so far as it may affect, relate or be construed to extend to the corporation of Trinity Church aforesaid, or to any laws or ordinances made by that corporation, shall be, and is hereby declared to be repealed, and rendered null and void to all intents and purposes, and

WHEREAS, the corporation of Trinity church, aforesaid, under the original act of incorporation aforesaid, have undertaken to contract with a certain Robert Phillips for the absolute sale to him of a certain plantation and tract of land situate in Christiana Hundred, in the county aforesaid, containing about one hundred and sixty acres, more or less, in consideration of five pounds two shillings and nine pence per acre, and also with a certain Peter Boudwy for the absolute sale to him of a piece or parcel of marsh situate in the New Port marshes in the same hundred containing seven acres, more or less, in consideration of twenty pounds per acre, the said plantation and marsh being the property of the said corporation. And whereas, it will redound greatly to the benefit and advantage of the said corporation, if they be authorized and impowered to convey, by lawful conveyances the aforesaid plantation and piece of marsh to the respective purchasers aforesaid, for the several considerations aforesaid, by the name derived and given to the said corporation by this act.

Be it therefore enacted, The corporation of Trinity Church aforesaid, by the name given to the said corporation by this act, be, and are hereby authorized and impowered by conveyance, under their corporate seal, to convey and assure the herein before mentioned and recited plantation and tract of land to the aforesaid Robert Phillips, his heirs and assigns forever, for the consideration aforesaid, pursuant to the contract of sale first before mentioned and also by conveyance under their corporate seal to convey and assure the herein before recited piece or parcel of

marsh to the aforesaid Peter Boudwy, his heirs and assigns forever for the consideration, and pursuant to the contract of sale last, before mentioned.

And be it further enacted, That the moneys arising and to be recovered from the sales of the said plantation and parcel of marsh, shall be let out on loan to be secured by way of mortgage, so as to produce, annually, legal interest for the same, or be vested in lands in such manner as may be deemed most advantageous by the said corporation; and that the yearly produce, rents and profits of all real and personal property already vested in, or to be purchased, gotten, received or acquired by the said corporation, shall be used and disposed by the said corporation for the repairing, amending and upholding the said church and for the support of the said minister for the time being, and of the subordinate church officers, and for such other purposes for the use of the said church as the corporation aforesaid shall and may direct, and shall not be converted or employed to any private use or any other use whatever. Provided, always, That nothing in this act contained, shall be construed or taken to repeal the herein before mentioned original act, incorporating the minister, vestrymen and churchwardens of the said church, except so far as the same act may be by this act altered, amended, added to or supplied.

PETER LOWBER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DANIEL ROGERS,
Speaker of the Senate.

Dover, February 7th, 1795.

A list of the names of those persons who voted for vestrymen and church-wardens, in Trinity Church, the first Monday in June, one thousand, seven hundred and ninety-five.

David Hendrickson,
Peter Vandever,
Isaac Hendrickson,
John Vandever, Sr.
John Robnet,
David Bush,
Charles Springer, Sr.,
Henry Garretson,
John Flinn,
John Stilley,
John Lynam,
John Harper,
John Justis,
Jacob Robinson,

John Brynberg,
William Vaneman,
Robert Little,
Joseph Lynam,
Hance Stampeart,
Zacharias Derickson,
James Ross,
David Lynam,
Jacob Derickson,
Levi Springer,
John Stidham, Jr.,
Peter Walraven,
Thomas Ramsey,
James McCullom,
John Eliot,
Charles Springer, Jr.
Cornelius Hains,
Hance Naff,
John Hendrickson, Jr.,
John Walraven,
John Springer,
Abner Justis,
David Stidham,
Robert Robinson,
Wm. Sharpley,
Peter Davis,
John Sperry,
Jacob Colesberg,
John Stidham,
Benjamin Eliot,
Cornelius Stidham,
Henry Senex, Sr.,
Peter Garretson,
Wm. Stidham, Jr.,
Joseph Springer,
Jonas Stidham, Jr.,
Jonas Stidham, the younger.
John Armstrong,
Aaron Justis.

A. D. 1795.—According to law an election for vestrymen and churchwardens being held at Trinity Church on the 2nd day of March, 1795, by the congregation of said church, the following persons were duly elected for vestrymen: John Brynberg, Peter Vandever, John Lynam, John Stedham, Peter Paulson, Jacob Robinson, David Hendrickson, Benjamin Elliott and Isaac Stedham, and for Churchwardens, Hance Naff and Henry Garetson, attested by William Vaneman, John Hendrickson and John Lynam, of committee to hold and superintend the election, and Isaac Hendrickson and John Brynberg inspectors.

The vestrymen and churchwardens of Trinity Church, in the Borough of Wilmington, met at Jessy Harresse's on Saturday, March 7th, 1795. There were present Messrs Vandever, Stedham, Paulson, Lynam, Eliot, Hendrickson, Stedham, Brynberg, Garetson and Naff.

The vestry classed themselves by lot as followeth, viz:

FIRST CLASS:

ISAAC STEDHAM, DAVID HENDRICKSON, JACOB ROBINSON.

SECOND CLASS:

BENJAMIN ELIOTT, JOHN STEDHAM, JOHN LYNAM.

THIRD CLASS:

PETER VANDEVER, PETER PAULSON, JOHN BRYNBERG.

Attested by Hance Naff and Henry Garretson wardens.

They appointed Benjamin Eliot, Isaac Stedham and John Brynberg a committee to wait on the Rev. Joseph Clarkson, give him a call to supply Trinity Church for the ensuing year, and inquire his demand to officiate.

NOTE.—Mr. Clarkson had officiated since 1792, but under the amended charter they were to engage their pastor from year to year.

The committee appointed to wait on Mr. Clarkson, report that he demands 225£ salary for the ensuing year. Agreed by the majority to make Mr. Clarkson's salary 175£, and that Hance Naff wait on him and inform him of it. Agreed unanimously to make the salary of Peter Davis 20£, to execute the duties of sexton.

On January 1st, 1796, according to notice given, an election was held in Trinity Church by a majority of the congregation, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of John Stedham, when Peter Walraven was duly elected.

The minister, vestry, wardens and committee assembled in Trinity Church, Thursday, February 11th, 1796. They discussed the sketch of ordinances that was read to the congregation, article by article. The first article which respects a right of membership, was passed by as being the prerogative of the vestry and wardens to determine.

The 2nd, respects giving the minister notice before he is to leave Trinity Church. It was agreed that he should have and should give six months notice.

The 3d, which respects brother going to law with brother, &c. It was agreed that an amicable settlement of controversies should be recommended by the ministers, vestry and wardens, and entered into by the congregation in the form of an association. Adjourned.

The vestry and wardens of Trinity Church assembled in said church on Saturday, March 5th, 1796, it being quarterly meeting. Present, Messrs. Hendrickson, Vandever, Paulson, Eliot, Robinson, Stidham, Brynberg and Naff.

John Justis presented his account against the corporation containing expenditures of him and William Stidham, Esqs., in a tour to Dover, for the congregation of Trinity Church. His account was acknowledged, but not finally settled. A debate took place on the manner of paying for the printing of the charter of incorporation and supplement, but was not determined.

They likewise took into consideration a right of membership of Trinity Church. They declared that all those persons that were admitted to vote by the committee nominated to superintend the election of March, 1795, should still have a right to vote. Also the sons of those, who have since arrived to the age of 21. Also that any free white male person supporting a moral character, professing the Lutheran or Espiscopal faith, who have entered into the communion of Trinity Church, taken a seat in said church and has paid a contribution to the support of the ministry one year previous to an annual election, shall have a right to vote. Likewise any person of the above description, who has been estimated a

reputable member for four years shall have a right to be voted for as vestrymen or wardens. Adjourned.

According to the direction of the supplement to the charter of incorporation, the seats of the vestrymen of the first-class i. e., Jacob Robinson, David Hendrickson and Isaac Stidham; also, the wardens, Hance Naff and Henry Garretson, became vacated on the 6th of March, 1796, it being the expiration of the first year. An election of the congregation to fill those vacancies, was held in Trinity Church, on Monday, March 7th, 1796, and the old members were re-elected.

The vestrymen and wardens of Trinity Church assembled in said church, Saturday, March 19th. Present, Messrs. Hendrickson, Vandever, Lynam, Robinson, Paulson, Brynberg, Walraven, Stidham, Naff and Garretson.

They voted the minister's salary for the ensuing year to be 200£, provided he discharged ministerial duties.

They appointed Peter Vandever and John Brynberg trustees for the ensuing year, and Hance Naff to collect the ground rents.

They allowed the sexton to have 10 shil. for digging a grave, and Peter Davis thirty dollars the ensuing year to execute the duties of sexton to Trinity Church.

Trinity Church, June 4. 1796.

Quarterly meeting of the Vestrymen and Churchwardens.

Present, Messrs. Vandever, Paulson, Robinson, Eliot, Lynam, Brynberg and Naff. On motion of Mr. Lynam, agreed to endeavor to put a new roof on the south side of the church and raise the belfry.

Resolved, That the subscription hitherto subscribed, shall be carried into effect if the subscribers are agreed thereunto.

Resolved, That the congregation be notified to meet the ensuing Saturday, to confirm the old subscription, either adding to, or taking from, as they shall see fit. Adjourned.

Trinity Church, September 3d, 1796.

Quarterly meeting of the Vestrymen and Churchwardens.

Present, Messrs. Robinson, Lynam, Brynberg, Vandever, Walraven, Paulson, Garretson and Naff.

It was agreed to give the Rev. Mr. Clarkson the necessary six months previous notice before any change should take place between him and the people, according to a late agreement entered into between him and the vestry, in order to put him on an equal footing with the ministers or candidates at the next election, agreeable to the spirit of the charter. Adjourned.

Trinity Church, March 6, 1797.

According to the direction of the charter, the seats of the vestrymen of the 2d class, viz: Benjamin Eliot, John Lynam and Peter Walraven, and also the Churchwardens, Hance Naff and Henry Garretson became vacated this day.

An election being held by the congregation to fill those vacancies, the following persons were elected, viz: Benjamin Eliot, Peter Walraven and James Eves, for vestrymen, and Timothy Jackson and John Justis, for churchwardens.

JOHN ELIOT,
JOSHUA MCLEAN,
Inspectors.

Trinity Church, March 29, 1797.

Meeting of the Vestrymen and Churchwardens.

Present, Rev. Mr. Clarkson, Messrs. Paulson, Vandever, Eliot, Robinson, Stedham, Brynberg, Eves, Walraven, Jackson and Justis. Proceeded to the choice of a chairman. Isaac Stedham, was unanimously chosen. On motion of Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Eves, to go into the choice of a minister to supply Trinity Church the ensuing year, the Rev. Mr. Clarkson was appointed. On motion what salary shall be given him, the members to vote for the minister's salary by ballot. The votes being taken and polled, there appeared six votes for £200, two for £175, and one for £250.

Agreed to give a clerk $20 per annum, and that Joseph Stedham be first offered that salary. If he declined serving as clerk, resolved that the same seem be offered Mr. Bradley. Adjourned.

Trinity Church, May 7th, 1797.

The vestrymen and churchwardens who were present were detained after sermon. The debt on the glebe marsh due the estate of Dr. McKinley, was submitted to them by Timothy Jackson. They appointed a committee of three members to investigate the Doctor's charge, and settle with the administrator. Benjamin Eliot, John Brynberg and Timothy Jackson were appointed. On Wednesday, May 10th, the committee met at Dr. Latimer's and he presented unto them McKinley's account; the committee thought the account just and therefore settled it.

Trinity Church, March 5, 1798.

Annual election:

When John Brynberg and Peter Vandever were re-elected, and John Lynam in the place of Peter Paulson, and David Stedham in place of David Henrickson who had resigned, and Isaac Hindrickson and Hance Naff were chosen churchwardens.

At a meeting of the vestry, &c., March 14, 1798, a motion was made and seconded to repeal a resolve of the vestry respecting giving the minister for the time being, 6 months notice, passed February 9, 1796. Resolved that that resolve shall be and is hereby repealed and made nul and void to all intents and purposes.

At a meeting of the vestry March 22, 1798, a motion was made and seconded, shall the Rev. Mr. Clarkson be appointed to supply Trinity Church the ensuing year? It passed in the negative, 4 votes for, and 7 votes against.

At a meeting of the vestry April 26, 1798, it was resolved that Isaac Hendrickson and Hance Naff, together with the trustees be a committee to take an inventory of the contents of the corporation chest, and that the trustees take the other key to the chest, and that said chest be lodged with one of the churchwardens. It was also moved that John Springer a minister of the Presbyterian Church be requested to preach a sermon in Trinity Church to his old friends and relatives, for he formerly belonged to the congregation.

Trinity Church, August 4th, 1798.

Meeting of the vestrymen and churchwardens. Present, Messrs. Vandever, Lynam, Brynberg, D. Stedham, Hendrickson and

Naff. A petition was laid before the vestry signed by 48 persons praying that the vestrymen and churchwardens would pass a law which would secure them in their right to Trinity Church.

On motion made and seconded, resolved, that Isaac Hendrickson apply to George Read, Jr., to get some particular passages of the charter explained.

Trinity Church, December 1, 1798.

Quarterly meeting of the vestrymen and churchwardens. Present Messrs. Eliot, Vandever, Lynam, Walraven, Brynberg, D. Stedham and Hendricsson. The committee appointed to prepare a bill for membership, presented one, whereupon

Resolved, 1st, That all those persons who were considered as members or admitted to vote for vestrymen and churchwardens, by the committee selected by the congregation, to report and determine on all right of membership and nominated in the charter to superintend the election in March, 1795, and the sons of such persons as may arrive to the age of 21 years shall be considered members and entitled to vote.

Resolved 2nd, That any male person who has descended from the original stock, and has by any means absented himself from Trinity Church, may apply to the vestrymen and churchwardens for admittance into membership, and if a majority of them shall deem him or them a worthy member, he or they shall be entitled to vote immediately.

Resolved 3d, That no other person shall be considered a political member of Trinity Church, and be entitled to the privileges thereof, but such persons as shall be first received and approved of by a majority of the vestrymen and churchwardens, and after their approbation shall take a seat in Trinity Church, and pay a contribution to the support of the ministry or otherwise, five

years previous to an annual election, then and in such case they shall be entitled to vote and not otherwise.

Resolved 4th, That a former resolve of the vestrymen and churchwardens concerning membership, passed March 5, 1796 is hereby repealed.

Trinity Church, February 23d, 1799.

Meeting of the vestrymen and churchwardens.

Present, Messrs. Lynam, Eliot, Walraven, Brynberg, D. Stidham and Naff.

The Rev. James Wilmer had written to the vestry that he was informed that the Rev. Mr. Clarkson had resigned the pastoral charge over Trinity Church. Mr. Wilmer attended the meeting, produced his credentials, stated that he was an applicant for Trinity Church, if the congregation should like him, that he did wish to preach a sermon to them. Whereupon,

Resolved, That Trinity Church shall be open for Mr. Wilmer to preach a sermon in, on Sunday, the 3rd day of March, 1799.

Wilmington, Mr. Naff's, March 2, 1799.

Quarterly meeting of the vestrymen and churchwardens.

Mr. Clarkson attended the meeting and demanded the balance due him of his salary for the year 1797. He also demanded a salary of 200£ for the year 1798. He founded his claim on services done the congregation of Trinity Church.

Mr. Vandever objected against it, said that Mr. Clarkson was not chosen and appointed minister of Trinity Church for the year 1798 by the vestrymen and churchwardens, that he was not entitled to any salary, and with his consent he should not have any.

The subject was postponed for further consideration.

Trinity Church, March 4, 1799.

According to notice given an election was held to fill the seats of Jacob Robinson, Isaac Stidham and David Stidham, which became vacant at this time (it being the expiration of the 4th year), also the seats of the churchwardens, Isaac Henderson and Hance Naff, when Peter Paulson, Isaac Stidham and David

Stidham were elected vestrymen, and Isaac Hendrickson and Hance Naff were elected churchwardens.

John Hendrickson, Jr.,
Joseph Stidham,
Inspectors.

At a meeting of the vestrymen and churchwardens, March 9, 1799, it was resolved as Trinity Church is now lying open, Messrs. Hendrickson, Vandever, Walraven and Naff be a committee to apply for and receive supplies.

At a meeting, March 16, 1799, it was resolved that Isaac Hendrickson and Hance Naff take the key of Trinity Church into their possession immediately. The subject of allowing Mr. Clarkson a gratuity, being taken up, after some debate thereon

Resolved, That Benjamin Eliot, Isaac Hendrickson, Peter Walraven and Hance Naff be a committee to negotiate with Mr. Clarkson, and report thereon to the vestry, on Easter Monday, March 25th.

Trinity Church, March 25, 1799

Meeting of the vestrymen and churchwardens.

Present, Messers Vandever, Eliot, Lynam, Walraven, I Stedham, Brynberg, D. Stedham, Hendricksson and Naff. The committee appointed to wait on and negotiate with Mr. Clarkson, reported that Mr. Calrkson, stated to them, that if the vestrymen and churchwardens would give him a gratuity of 175£ to enable him to discharge his debts that he would quietly and peaceably deliver up all that doth belong to or in anywise appertain to the corporation of Trinity Church, that is or may be in his possession. Whereupon,

Resolved, That Mr. Clarkson shall be allowed 175£ as a gratuity, providing that he delivers up all as above stated.

Trinity Church, September 7, 1799.

Quarterly meeting of the vestry.

The chairman produced a letter under seal from the Rev. James I. Wilmer which was opened and read, and after due deliberation thereon it was unanimously agreed that the Rev. Mr. Wilmer, shall have the offer of continuing to officiate in Trinity Church every other Sunday for a length of time, not exceeding three

months at the usual rate of six dollars for each service unless a stranger offers ; in such case Mr. Wilmer is to give place to the stranger.

A meeting of the vestry at the parsonage house, November 9, 1799, when Mr. Hendrickson stated that in consequence of Trinity Church being vacant the Rev. Mr. Price, of Milford, doth offer himself a candidate for the minister therein. Whereupon.

Resolved, That the congregation of Trinity Church be called together and their sentiments be taken on the subject, as an instruction for the vestrymen and churchwardens.

Trinity Church, November 19, 1799.

Occasional meeting of the vestrymen and churchwardens, with the congregation.

WHEREAS, It appears that those members of the congregation who have attended pursuant to notice given, have unanimously voted in favor of Mr. Price, and that there are divers members of the congregation that have not attended on the occasion,

Resolved, That a piece of writing be drawn corresponding with the subject of Mr. Price's offer and be handed round to those members who did not attend, for their signature, to the same effect. On motion

Resolved, That Messrs. Hendrickson, Walraven and Naff be a committee to wait on Mr. Price and inform him of the proceedings of the congregation and vestry in the business and enquire of him what salary would do him, providing he should come to Trinity Church.

Wilmington Parsonage House, December 7, 1799.

Quarterly meeting of vestry.

A letter was read from the Rev. Nicholas Collin, the Swedish minister in Philadelphia, to the vestrymen and churchwardens of Trinity Church, whereupon

Resolved, That Messrs. Hendrickson and Naff be a committee in behalf of the vestrymen and churchwardens, to send a respectable answer to the Rev. Nicholas Collin. Mr. Naff read a letter from Mr. Wilmer. Mr. Hendrickson read a letter from Mr. Price and a letter of recommendation or certificate from the vestry at Milford.

Wilmington Parsonage, December 15, 1799.

Occasional meeting of vestry:

The committee appointed to wait on Mr. Price, report that he would be fully satisfied with 175£ salary per annum, exclusive of the parsonage and lots. The subject of the Rev. Mr. Price as a candidate for the ministry in Trinity Church was taken up, after due deliberation thereon, and receiving instruction from a considerable majority of the congregation by their voting in his favor.

Resolved, That the vestrymen and churchwardens do unanimously accept Mr. Price's offer, and that Isaac Hendrickson and John Brynberg be a committee to inform him that on the part of the vestry and congregation, all things are now ready as far as their ability and charter will permit.

Wilmington, Mr. Hendrickson's January 13, 1800.

Meeting of the vestry and churchwardens:

Present, Messrs Vandever, Eliot, Lynam, Walraven, Brynberg D. Stedham, Hendrickson and Naff. Mr. Price attended the meeting and held a conference with the vestry on the subject of his coming to officiate in Trinity Church the ensuing year, when it was agreed if Mr. Price did come the ensuing spring, he should have the mansion house and garden with the stable and chair house in good repairs, the two lots of marsh, (but he must pay the taxes,) the upland lot at the church, (but must put the manure collected at the stable on the premises,) the vestry to put the marsh in reasonable repair, and Mr. Price to leave it so; likewise the vestry agree to pay him over and above, the sum of one hundred and sixty pounds per annum.

Mr. Price agreed on his part to do for the vestry and congregation of Trinity Church all those ministerial duties, that an ambassador of Christ ought to do for his flock, as far as his ability would permit.

Trinity Church, March 3, 1800.

According to notice given, an election was held under the direction of the vestrymen and churchwardens present, to fill the seats of Benjamin Eliot, Peter Walraven and James Eves which became vacant at the time, also the seats of the churchwardens,

Isaac Hendrickson and Hance Naff, when Benjamin Eliot, Peter Walraven and Joseph Springer were elected vestrymen, and Isaac Hendrickson and Hance Naff were elected churchwardens.

JOHN ELLIOTT,
JOSEPH STEDHAM,
Inspectors.

March 2nd, 1801.

John Brynberg, Hance Naff, John Hendrickson, Jr., were elected vestrymen, and Isaac Hendrickson and John Sperry, were chosen churchwardens.

March 7th, 1801.

Resolved, That the Rev. Wm. Price be called to supply Trinity Church the ensuing year, and that he be allowed 160£ salary.

Trinity Church, September 19th, 1801.

At a special meeting of the vestrymen and churchwardens, the committee appointed to make exertion to raise money to put a roof on the church reported that they have called upon Peter Jaquett who promises to pay the interest and as much of the principal as he possibly can in ten days. Also that they have called on John Welsh, who promises to pay his part of the bond due to the church in a few days.

March 1st, 1802.

John Lynam, Isaac Stedham and David Stedham, were elected vestrymen, and Isaac Hendrickson and John Sperry, were chosen churchwardens.

March 6th, 1802.

The Rev. Mr. Price, was again engaged for the ensuing year.

Trinity Church, August 14th, 1802.

Special meeting of the vestrymen and churchwardens.

Present, Messrs. Lynam, Eliot, Springer, Naff, Brynberg, D. Stidham, John Hendrickson, Isaac Hendrickson and John Sperry.

On motion made and seconded, the subject of erecting a belfry was taken into consideration. Whereupon, *resolved*, That the belfry shall be built at the west end of the church, twelve by fourteen feet, and thirty-four

feet high, of stone and brick, with a sufficient cupola to swing the bell in above the roof, etc. On motion made and seconded, resolved, that John Sperry, Isaac Hendrickson and Hance Naff, be a committee to confer and agree with carpenters, masons and other workmen, provide materials etc., and shall be invested with full power to set the business on foot immediately.

August 9, 1802.

At a meeting of the vestry it was decided to build the belfry of brick.

December 4, 1802.

At a meeting it was resolved that Isaac Hendrickson, John Sperry and Hance Naff be a committee to hold a conference with Thomas Cole upon the form or plan of the cupola to be erected on the brick walls at the west end of the church, and take the approbation or sentiment of some other skillful carpenter upon the best plan.

May 7, 1803.

Peter Walraven, Joseph Springer and Benjamin Eliot were selected vestrymen and John Sperry and Isaac Hendrickson were selected churchwardens.

March 15, 1803.

The Rev. Mr. Price was again engaged at the same salary.

It being stated by Isaac Hendrickson. the chairman, that he would endeavor to get the road or street repaired between the town and the church by the corporation of Wilmington, but he doubted they would complete the walk. Therefore, Resolved, That there shall be a subscription started in the congregation to assist in completing the walk down to the church.

September 3, 1803.

At a meeting of the vestry it was resolved, That Isaac Hendrickson shall be released from craving aid from the corporation of Wilmington toward the walk, but the committee on the subscription should be continued, and John Brynberg and Isaac Hendrickson were appointed a committee to draft a letter, to be laid before the board of vestrymen and wardens to be sent to the Rev. Nicho-

las Collin to advise with him on the subject of the independence of Trinity Church.

October 8, 1803.

Isaac Hendrickson laid before the board of vestrymen and churchwardens a letter from the Rev. Wm. Price concerning making a collection for Bishop Clagget, of Maryland, for his trouble in administering the ordinance of confirmation in Trinity Church. Whereupon, Resolved, That Isaac Hendrickson, John Brynberg and John Lynam shall be a committee to prepare an answer to the Rev. Mr. Price on the subject and lay it before the board of vestrymen and churchwardens.

Trinity Church, December 3, 1803.

The committee appointed to receive Wm. Vanneaman's legacy from Peter Brynberg, report that they have received the fifty pounds bequeathed, with the interest due, and have paid off several bills for the belfry.

The committee appointed to draft an answer to the letter of the Rev. Mr. Price laid before the board of vestry-men and churchwardens a sketch, whereupon

Resolved, That Isaac Hendrickson and John Brynberg be a committee to copy the sketch as it now stands and send it to the Rev. Mr. Price.

Trinity Church, March 5, 1804.

According to notice given an election was held to fill the seats of John Brynberg, Hance Naff, and John Hendrickson Jr. Also the vacant seat occasioned by the death of Peter Walraven, and the seats of the Churchwardens John Sperryand, Isaac Hendrickson when Jacob Derrickson, John Brynberg, and John Hendrickson Jr. were elected for three years, and Aaron Paulsou was elected in the place of Peter Walraven deceased and Israel Hendrickson and Hance Naff were elected Churchwardens.

Isaac Hendrickson,
John Hedges,
Inspectors.

Wilmington Parsonage House, March 24, 1804.

A meeting of the board, when Isaac Hendrickson was chosen chairman, and John Brynberg secretary for the ensuing year.

The Rev. Mr. Price was unanimously chosen minister for the ensuing year at a salary of 160£, which after confering with Mr. Price was mutually agreed on. On motion

Resolved, that John Brynberg and David Stedham be a committee to settle with the committee who superintended the building of the belfry and make report to this board at their next meeting. On motion

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to take measures respecting the debt due to Trinity Church by Peter JaQuette Jr., and proceed on the business at their discretion and make report at the next meeting.

Parsonage House, December 1, 1804.

Quarterly meeeting of the vestrymen and churchwardens.

Present, Messrs, Lynam, Derickson, Paulson, Brynberg, John Hendrickson, Naff and Isaac Hendrickson. The committee appointed to settle with the committee who were appointed to superintent the building the belfry, report that they have attended to their appointment. They presented a statement of subscription money received by John Sperry to the amount of 334 dollars and 33 cents, and of Sundry bills that said Sperry had paid, amounting to 335 dollars and 85 cents, there being 53 dollars on the subscription not yet paid which John Sperry is requested to collect. On motion,

Resolved, That John Lynam and John Brynberg be a committee to settle with the executor of Hance Stampeart deceased, for a quantity of stone taken off the glebe at Red Clay creek, to receive the money for the payment of said stone and apply it to the payment due Susanna Tussy, and if there should be any money remaining over, they are directed to pay the surplus into the hands of Hance Naff, churchwarden.

Mr. James M. Broom produced Mr. Clarkson's account against Trinity Church.

Resolved, That Hance Naff, John Brynberg and Isaac Hendrickson be a committee to settle Mr. Clarkson's account with James M. Broom.

Parsonage House, January 12, 1805.

At a a meeting of the board. The committee of ways and means appointed at the last meeting reported, that in their opinion

in the present state of the finances it was best to borrow at 6 per cent interest enough to pay off the remaining indebtedness on the belfry.

Resolved, That John Brynberg, Hance Naff, John Lyman and Isaac Hendrickson, the committee of ways and means shall borrow 400 dollars on the credit of the corporation of Trinity church and pay off the debts on the belfry as far as it will go.

Parsonage House, March 2, 1805.

Quarterly meeting.

The committee appointed to borrow the sum of 400 dollars for the use of the corporation of Trinity Church report, that they succeeded in obtaining the money from Susanna Tassey, widow, upon the condition that the corporation of Trinity Church will punctually pay the interest on the bond to be given. Whereupon.

Resolved, That an appropriation is hereby made of the first money that shall be received, and the honor and good faith of the corporation of Trinity Church is pledged for the punctual payment of the said interest when due. It was unamimously agreed that the said 400 dollars be paid into the hands of Hance Naff, churchwarden, for the purpose of paying off the balance of the bills due for building the belfrey and Hance Naff was ordered to pay them immediately.

Trinity Church, March 4, 1805.

John Lynam, Isaac Stedham and David Stidham were re-elected vestrymen, and Hance Naff and Isaac Hendrickson were re-elected churchwardens.

Trinity Church, March 16, 1805.

Special meeting of the vestrymen and churchwardens.

Resolved, That Isaac Hendrickson and John Lynam be a committee to make out a list of the pews in Trinity Church, with their number, their rates and the persons names who rent or occupy them for the year 1805, and a list of the several lots of ground upon ground rent, and the person's names who pays and the several sums that each man pay yearly, and enter the same in the book of minutes for the use of the board of vestrymen and churchwardens.

Resolved, Unanimously that the Rev. Mr. Price be called to continue to officiate as minister of Trinity Church, the coming year.

Trinity Church, March 3, 1806.

Benjamin Eliot, Joseph Springer and Aaron Paulson were re-elected vestrymen, and Isaac Hendrickson and Hance Naff re-elected churchwardens.

March 15.

Resolved, Unanimously that the Rev. Wm. Price shall be and is hereby called to supply Trinity Church the ensuing year.

March 29th.

Resolved, That John Brynberg shall be trustee to proceed forthwith to recover from Peter Ja Quett and John Welsh, the respective debts which they owe to Trinity Church, on bond.

April 12th.

The committee appointed to confer with Mr. Price on the subject of his continuing to officiate in Trinity Church, the ensuing year, report that they conferred with him and that he is willing to serve at the rate of one hundred and sixty pounds per annum. On motion

Resolved, That the same committee are hereby instructed to offer Mr. Price the pew rents of Trinity Church, the present year at their present rates, and 60 pounds in money for this year's salary; to exhibit to him a statement of the income of the church yearly, and to mention to him that it is the opinion of this board that the measure of Mr. Price being the collector of the pew rents would be the means of cultivating a more particular acquaintance between the minister and congregation. The said committee are empowered to agree with Mr. Price and make the best terms they can.

Hance Naff reported 559 dollars and 93 cents back on ground rents and interest, and 37 dollars and 63 cents due him on belfry.

December 20, 1806.

The committee appointed to make out a list of pew rents and ground rents, &c., report the following amount of income.

Pew rents,					$362.24
Deduct					114.24 for bad debts and commission.
				$248.00	$248.00
	£.	s.	d.		
Ground rents,	66	8	2		
Deduct Commission,	3	19	8		
	62	8	6	or	$166.47
Interest on bonds,					101.52
					$515.99
Deduct					97.39
Nett,					$418.60

Counting

Tax on Glebe	$12.00
Public Drain	7.25
Repairs on Church. . .	10.00
Draining and Fencing .	6.00
Sexton's Salary	30.00
Clerk's Salary	20.00
Interest on Tussy's bond	12.14
	$97.39

Thus it will be seen that the net income for the year is $418.60

It may be noted that Trinity Church is indebted at present as follows:

To Mrs. Tussy	$202.35
To Mr. Price, old credit .	196.97
Mr. Price, this year . . .	426.67
To Thomas Colesberg . .	100.00
	$925.99

March 2, 1807.

Jacob Derickson, John Brynberg and John Hendrickson were re-elected vestrymen, and Isaac Hendrickson and Hance Naff wardens.

Trinity Church, March 23, 1807.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to draw some rules, by-laws and regulations for the congregation, and offer them for the consideration of the board at the next meeting, and the said committee are requested, to ask the friendly aid of James M. Broom to assist them in drawing up and digesting said rules and regulations.

Resolved, That the Rev. Mr. Price be called to supply Trinity Church the ensuing year, and that he have 175£., provided he take the pew rents, amounting to $360.24.

Resolved That it is the opinion of this board that in the present situation of the finances, it is not in their power to engage to pay Mr. Price as a certain salary, much more than 350 dollars.

June 6, 1807.

The committee appointed to draw up rules, reported that they had nothing, on the account of the removal of James M. Broom to Baltimore, and John Lynam was appointed in the place of Mr. Broom.

January 2nd, 1808.

SPECIAL MEETING.

The committee appointed to draw up rules for Trinity Church congregation report as follows:

WHEREAS, The right of inheritance in and to Trinity Church, and the property thereunto belonging, descended unto those members of the congregation whose names are on record in the books of said church, after the bishop and consistory of Sweden withdrew their mission from said church, and the powers of governing the temporalities of Trinity Church being vested in a board of vestrymen and churchwardens elected out of the congregation, and

WHEREAS, It appears to be equitable and just, that if any person desires to enjoy an equal right to the inheritance of Trinity Church and her property that they ought to pay therefor an equivalent sum of money to be added to their general stock to enlarge the income of said church.

Therefore be it enacted by the vestrymen and churchwardens of the Swedes Lutheran Church, called Trinity Church, in the Borough of Wilmington, that from and after the passing of this act, any stranger either Lutheran or Episcopalian, who desires to enjoy an equal right to the inheritance and property of said church and her political privileges, shall pay therefor into the hands of the vestrymen and churchwardens the sum of

dollars, to be added to the general stock of said church.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That if it should so happen that any of those persons who enjoy the right of inheritance to and in Trinity Church and her property, and whose names are on record as members of said church, or the sons of any such persons as may hereafter arrive to the age of 21 years, shall hereafter become negligent or refractory, and omit or refuse to pay their proportion toward the support of the public worship in said church, that the vestrymen and churchwardens shall hereafter annually appoint a committee by ballot out of their own body, to wait upon every such negligent or refractory delinquent at least three times in one year, and use their utmost skill and judgment by reasonable argument in a christian and brotherly like manner to reclaim them, and bring them back to their duty, which arguments and the negligent or refractory person's answers the said committee, shall report to the board of vestrymen and church-

wardens, and if from the whole of what has been done, it doth appear, and the negligent or refractory person candidly and openly declares, that it is not his desire either to retain or enjoy his right of inheritance and membership in Trinity Church, then, and in such case the board of vestrymen and churchwardens may at the expiration of one year after, declare his seat vacant, and his right of inheritance and privileges as a member of Trinity Church suspended, until he shall see cause to apply for it again, according to an act or resolution of the board of vestrymen and churchwardens, passed at Trinity Church, December 1st, 1789.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That if any other person whose name is not upon record as possessing a right of inheritance and membership in Trinity Church, shall hereafter rent any vacant seat in said church, and neglect or refuse to pay for the same punctually within the space of three months, after the rent becomes due, that the seat that they have occupied shall be taken from them and rented to any other person that may apply for the same,

ISAAC HENDRICKSON,
JOHN BRYNBERG,
JOHN LYNAM.

August 15th, 1807.

The report of the committee being twice read, it was agreed to let it lay over until the next meeting for further consideration, and that a committee be appointed to ascertain the reasonable proportion that each new member should pay into the general stock, that a blank in the report of the committee may be filled up. John Brynberg, John Lynam and Isaac Hendrickson, were appointed to that sevice.

March 7, 1808.

John Lynam, Isaac Stidham and David Stidham were re-

elected vestrymen and Isaac Hendrickson and Hance Naff were re-elected churchwardens.

March 17, 1808.

The Rev. Mr. Pryce was called on the same terms as the last year.

March 26, 1808.

The committee appointed to ascertain the reasonable proportion that each new member ought to pay into the general stock, report that it is their opinion that the blank ought to be filled up with the sum of one hundred dollars.

On motion it was resolved, that the bill touching membership as reported by the committee of January 2, 1808, shall pass this board excepting the first section, and that the chairman and secretary sign and seal the said bill or law with the corporation seal.

On motion, the board proceeded to the choice of a committee by ballot according to the provision made in the second section of the act entitled By-Laws and Regulations for Trinity Church, when Benjamin Eliot, John Lynam, and Hance Naff were duly elected.

Hance Naff's October 26, 1808.

Special Meeting.

WHEREAS, This board is informed that the process against Peter JaQuette, hath taken place and his property advertized to be sold by the sheriff on this day; said Peter JaQuette attended the meeting of the board and plead for more time stating that he will pay all the interest due on the bond in three weeks from this date and prayed for a stay of sale until that time. On motion

Resolved, That there shall be a stay of execution for three weeks.

December 3, 1808.

On motion *resolved*, That John Brynberg who has been appointed to have charge of the suits against Peter JaQuette and John Welch's executors be ordered to order the sheriff to go on with the sale of the goods taken in execution of the said Peter Jaquette.

WILMINGTON, MR. ANDERSON'S March 5, 1809.

Quarterly meeting of the vestrymen and churchwardens of Trinity Church.

Present, Benjamin Eliot, John Lynam, John Brynberg, David Stidham, Aaron Paulson, Joseph Springer, Hance Naff and Isaac Hendrickson. The board taking into consideration the situation of the suit with Peter Ja Quett, on motion,

Resolved, That another member of the board be appointed to assist John Brynberg, when Hance Naff was appointed accordingly.

The said committee is requested to proceed after consulting George Reed the attorney, toward the recovery of the money at their discretion.

Trinity Church March 15, 1809.

According to notice given an election was held to fill the seats of Benjamin Eliot, Joseph Springer and Aaron Paulson, of the vestrymen, and of Isaac Hendricksson and Hance Naff, wardens, when they were all re-elected.

March 20, 1809.

Special meeting.

On motion, *Resolved*, That Isaac Hendrickson be chairman, and John Brynberg secretary, the ensuing year. On motion,

Resolved, That the Rev. William Pryce be called to supply Trinity Church the ensuing year. On motion,

Resolved, That Mr. Pryce shall be allowed 175£ salary the ensuing year, provided that he will take all the pew rents at their present rates amounting to three-hundred and sixty-two dollars and twenty-four cents, in part of said salary as agreed upon last year.

On motion the board proceeded to the election of a committee by ballot, according to the provision made in the second section of the act entitled, By-Laws and Regulations for Trinity church, when Benjamin Eliot, John Lynam and Hance Naff were unanimously elected, and the secretary was requested to notify the said committee of their appointment.

Wilmington, Edward Thomas' Tavern, March 3, 1810.

After the minutes of the last meeting were read, Hance Naff

produced to the board a statement of monies due the church for ground rent, pew rent and interest money uncollected as followeth to wit:

Pew rents amounting to $437.66½

	£	s.	d.	
Ground Rents, ...	94	18	4	
Interest due from Peter Stidham, . . .	41	5	0	
	136	3	4	or $364.44.

802.10½,

On motion, *resolved*, Hance Naff shall use his utmost endeavors to collect as much of the outstanding pew rents as possble, paying particular attention to those persons who are able to pay their respective debts, and the said Hance Naff is requested to proceed with all possible diligence to collect the outstanding ground rents at the expiration of the present year, which will be on the first of April next, and to advertize to all delinquents to come forward and pay off their respective debts or rents, or otherwise he will proceed against them as the law directs, and at the next quarterly meeting he shall make a report to the board of his progress. On motion,

Resolved, That the committee appointed to reclaim negligent or refractory members, shall wait on Jacob Robinson and use their endeavors to reconcile him to the church and this board and heal the breach that has unhappily taken place. On motion

Resolved, That a committee of two persons be appointed to wait on John Day, the clerk of Trinity Church, and enquire of him the cause of his complaint respecting his employment as clerk. John Brynberg and John Lynam were appointed to that committee.

Trinity Church, March 5, 1810.

According to public notice given, an election was held to fill the seats of Jacob Derickson, John Brynberg and John Hendrickson, of the vestrymen, and of Isaac Hendrickson and Hance Naff, Wardens, which became vacant at this time, when Aaron Justis, John Brynberg and John Hendrickson were elected vestry-

men, and Hance Naff and Isaac Hendrickson were elected churchwardens. The boards now stands:

ISAAC HENDRICKSON,
HANCE NAFF,
Churchwardens.
JOHN BRYNBERG,
JOHN HENDRICKSON,
AARON JUSTIS,
BENJAMIN ELIOT,
JOSEPH SPRINGER,
AARON PAULSON,
JOHN LYNAM,
ISAAC STIDHAM.
DAVID STIDHAM,
Vestrymen.

NAMES OF PEW-RENTERS IN TRINITY CHURCH IN 1806.

Peter Stidham,
Isaac Stidham,
John Stockton,
Anna Gordon,
Hance Naff,
Aaron Justis,
James Ross,

Levi Colesberry,
Mrs. Reading,
John Stilly,
James Lackey,
Jacob Derickson,
Michael Wolf,
Mrs. Plantain,
Davis Ostler,
John McIntire,
Ann Lewis,
Peter Jefrey,
John Webster, Jr.,
John Page,
Richard Hicks,

John Vandever,
Charley Springer and sons,
John Lynam,
Mary James,
Peter Vandever,
Andrew Morris,
Mrs. Anderson, (late widow Walraven.)

John Eves,
Mrs. Curtis,
Wm. Stilly,
Robert Burris,
Zacharias Derickson,
Mary Jones,
Daniel Dingee,
Rachel Robnet,
Thomas Cartmell,
Patience Grimes,
Henry Sinnex,
Sarah Mills,
Wm. Bryant,
Wm. Galloway,

James Sibley,
Susan Jeffries,
Thomas Cole,
Amor Tally,
Michael Wolf and wife,
John Hedges,
Mary Ford,
Hance Stampeast,
Jsaac Jones,
Elizabeth Smith,
Susanna Tryon,
Elizabeth Wells,
John Almond,
Samuel Jordan,
Jacob Robinson,
John Sperry,
Jacob Ball,
Jonas Stidham, Jr.,
Thomas Springer,
Jacob Broom,
Jonas Stidham, Sen.,
Joseph Hendrickson,
Mrs. Paulson and sons,
Wm. Sharpley and family,
Joseph Jackson,
Robert Henderson,
John Sibley,
Wm. Kirk,
James Watson,
John Bannard,
Widow Musgrave,
Robert Armstrong, Sen.,
Mrs. Freeman,
John Landers,
Michael Kay,
James Welsh,
Wm. Eliot, Sen.,
Archibald Croxan,
Peter Brynberg,
Mrs. Young,
John Harp,
Henry Naff,
Joseph Springer,
Mrs. Oldham,
Widow Savoy,
Ann Smedmer,
Joseph McLean,
Mrs. Didier,
Jacob Derickson,
Rebecca Jones,
Isabella Perkins,
Peter Garretson,
Timothy Jackson,
Peter Walraven, (daughters,)
Joseph Lynam,
David Stidham,
Wm. Stidham,
John Hendrickson,
Joseph Stidham,
Wm. Armer,
Thomas Sinnex,
Peter Paulson and sons,
John Flinn,
Robert Robinson and mother,
Elihu Talley, Jr.,
Wm. Talley,
Patrick Hemphill,
Jane Peterson,
James Johnson,
David Hendrickson,
John Webster, Sen.,
Mrs. Weatherhead,
John Brynberg,
John Roswell,
Thomas Hyat,
Thomas Smith,
John Eliot,
Wm. Elliot, Jr.

John Roswell,
Henry Rice,
James Brindley,
John Bennet,
Sarah Springer,
Benjamin Eliot,
Jacob Talley,
Thomas Foss,
Isaac Stidham, Jr.,
Harvey Spencer,
James Bavard,
Elkana Bray,
James Murphy,
Mrs. Bedford,
William Tussy,
Andrew Crips and sons,
Jacob Weldin,
Joseph Waggoner,
Isaac Hendrickson,
John Vandever, Jr.,
Francis O'Daniel,
Samuel Little,
Robert Rice,
John Husbands,
Esau Cox,
George Smith,
Frederick Tiunes,
James Barnes,
Elijah Skottington.

Baptisms in the year 1750, by the Rev. Israel Acrelius. Those designated by a star are of the Christina Congregation.

Child Isabella, born December, baptized January 1st; parents, John and Mary Greenup.

Child William, born December, baptized January 31st; parents, William and Catharine McLacklon.

*Child Lucas, born December 30, 1749, baptized February 4th; parents, John Wallace and Sarah Stedham.

*Child William, born December 22d, baptized February 15th; parents, Wm. Van Neman and Mary.

Child Charles, born February 10th, baptized February 18th; parents, Thomas and Jane Philips.

Child Prudence, born December 23, 1749, baptized February 28th; parents, Thomas and Sara Mehan.

Child James, born January 18th, baptized February 18th; parents, Robert and Jane Mellor.

*Child Swen, born February 22d, baptized same day; parents, Nils and Mary Springer Justis.

*Child Jacob, born February 10th, baptized February 23d; parents, Jacob and Mary Bishop Springer.

*Child Prudence, born January 26th, baptized February 25th; parents, John and Mary Mortonson Spari.

*Child Elizabeth, born February 15th, baptized February 25th; parents, John and Susanna Hindrickson Hedge.

*Child John, born February 27th, baptized March 11th; parents, Zacharias and Elizabeth Howell Hindrickson.

*Child Sarah, born October 30, 1749, baptized March 11th; parents, Niclas and Magdalena Stedham Curseng.

Child William, born May 15, 1747, baptized March 12th; parents, Robert and Mary Congttun.

*Child Marta, born February 22, baptized March 25th; parents, Henry and Elizabeth Colesberg.

Child John, born October 28, 1749, baptized March 25th; parents, William and Mary Fellows.

Child Jacob, born March 1st, baptized April 1st; parents, Saul and Barbro Haussman.

*Child Rachel, born April 5th, baptized April 8th; parents, Joseph and Anna Justis Springer.

*Child John, born March 12th, baptized April 13th; parents, Andrew and Dorothea Paulson Justice.

Child John, born December 26, 1745; child Elizabeth, born January 24, 1747; child Nannie, born May 12, 1749; baptized April 22d; parents, Johannes and Emma Kallamiller Gassert.

Child Andrew, born November 15, 1749, baptized April 29th; parents, Johannes and Susanna Boman.

*Child Philip, born February 26th, baptized April; parents, Cornelius and Margaret Morton Vanderweer.

*Child Jacob, born September 27, 1749, baptized April 30th; parents, Samuel and Elizabeth Peterson Riard.

Child Elizabeth, born May 17, 1749, baptized April 30th; parents, Thomas and Sarah Ly (Lee).

*Child Eric, born April 27th, baptized May 2d; parents, Olle and Christeen Andersson.

*Child Andrew, born May 1st, baptized May 6th; parents, John and Mary Springer.

Child Tobias, born April 26th, baptized May 20th; parents, Asmund and Christeen Hendrickson Stedham.

*N. B.—Hannah, 18 years old, parents, Quakers, baptized May 21st, and immediately married to John Boggan; names of her parents, Jacob and Hannah Grist.

Child Josiah, born May 19th, baptized May 27th; parents, Jonathan and Dorothea Kirk.

*Child Helena, born May 25th, baptized May 28ht; parents, Marten and Magdalena Springer Justice.

*Child John, born April 13th, baptized June 5th; parents, Carl and Johanna Lavel Stillman.

Child Sarah, born March 25th, baptized June 13th; parents, Henry and Dorothea Powel.

Child John, born December 6, 1749, baptized June 16th; parents, David and Mary McKelwhay.

Child Mary, born March 5th, baptized June 16th; parents, Simon and Elizabeth Thetford.

Child Eleonora, born June 25th, baptized July 6th; parents, Robert and Elizabeth Robinson Armstrong.

*Children Michael and Susanna, the former born July 2d, and the latter born July 3d; parents, Michael and Susanna Morton Gennett.

*Child Peter, born June 25th, baptized July; parents, Peter and Catharine Loinan Andersson.

*Child Maria, born July 1st, baptized September 2d; parents, Conrad and Maria Johnson Garitsson.

Child Rebecca, born November 6, 1749, baptized September 8th; parents, John and Eliza King.

*Child Samuel, born August 18th, baptized September 9th; parents, Christopher and Eleonora Hindricksson.

Child Thomas, born June 8th, baptized September 14th; parents, Thomas and Jennet Hamilton Johnsson.

Child Anna, born April 10, 1749, baptized September 15th; parents, Joseph and Sarah Gepson Cartmell.

Child William, born March 28, 1748, baptized September 20th; parents, William and Margaret Townsend Donaldson.

Child Francis, born March 29th, baptized September 20th; parents, William Hay and wife.

Children William and Stephen, born September 17th, baptized September 26th; parents, David and Mary Kein Withetan.

Child Jacob, born July 14th, baptized September 30th; parents, Rudolph and Margaret Thespen Hweitman.

*Child John, born September 30th, baptized October 22; parents, William and Margaret Almond.

NOTE.—The star denotes children of members of the Swedish Church.

Child Enoch, born September 26th, baptized October 31st; parents, James and Elizabeth Lewis.

Child Barbro, born November 1st, baptized November 8th; parents, Henry and Barbro Sorborg.

*Child Rebecca, born October 30th, baptized November 9th; parents, Jesper and Susanna Hindricksson Justice.

Child Mary, born October 9th, baptized November 11th; illegitimate; of Richard Frest and Mary Ann McMary.

*Child James, born July 6th, baptized November 18th; parents, Andrew and Sarah Peterson.

Child Rachel, born October 8th, baptized November 25th; parents, John and Elizabeth Taylor.

*Child Isabelle, born November 13th, baptized November 26th, parents, Willian and Anna Ifvarson Stoubei.

*Child Rebecca, born December 12th, baptized December 13th; parents, John and Anna Springer Smidt.

Child Anne, born February 12, 1749, baptized December 26th; parents, James and Lady Kob McGennis.

Child Rachel, born September 2d, baptized December 30th; parents, John and Mary Correll.

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Child Lewis, born October 8, 1750, baptized January 1st; parents, David and Anne Bush.

*Child Margret, born October 21, 1750, baptized January 1st; parents, Henry and Elizabeth Stedham Darrayn.

*Child Philip, born January 9th, baptized January 20th; parents, Goran and Margret Stalcop Loinan.

*Child Rachel, born December 23, 1750, baptized February 2d; parents, Joseph and Mary Vanderweer Jacksson.

Child John, born October 5, 1750, baptized February 3d; parents, Abraham and Sarah Twiggs.

*Child John, born January 3d, baptized February 3d; parents, John and Elizabeth Stedham Paulsson.

*Child Rachel, born February 3d, baptized February 17th; parents, Jesper and Mary Walraven.

Child Mary, born August 23, 1745, } parents, Benjamin and
Child Jesper, born September 23, 1748, } Eliz. Paulsson Bisen.

*Child Swen, born February 20th, baptized February 24th; parents, Nils and Mary Springer Justice.

Child Johanna, born December 12, 1744, } baptized February
Child Hannah, born February 21, 1747, } 24th, parents, Elias
Child Thomas, born July, 1749, } and Eliz. Humpries.

Child Mary, born January 27th, baptized March 14th; parents, William and Elizabeth Patersson.

*Child Jacob, born February 12th, baptized March 17th; parents, Garrit and Mary Garitsson.

*Child Sarah, born March 6th, baptized March 17th; parents, Thomas and Beata Turner.

*Child Rebecca, born February 11th, baptized March 24th; parents, Jonas and Sarah Mortensson.

*Child Dina, born February 27th, baptized March 31st; parents, Jonathan and Magdalena Vanderveer Stille.

Child John, born February 15th, baptized April 3d; parents, John and Elizabeth Tummelsson.

*Child Dorothea, born March 24th, baptized April 5th; parents, Philip and Susanna Brunberg Stalcop.

Child Roda, born December 19, 1750, baptized March 14th; parents, Lanty and Margaret Jonston.

*Child Margaret, born December 14, 1750, baptized April 21st; parents, Joseph and Margaret Abraham.

Child Martha, born November 8, 1750, baptized April 29th; parents, James and Mary McChever.

The following 12 were all baptized the same day in the Marlborough Church.

Boy Robert, 11 years old, born July 22, 1740, baptized May 1st; parents, Robert and Margret Aggor.

Child Sarah, born October 25, 1746, baptized May 1st; parents, the last named.

Child Margret, born July 5, 1750, baptized May 1st; parents, John and Jane Little.

Child William, born June 25, baptized May 1st; parents, John and Mary Thompson.

Child Mary, born April 1, 1750, baptized May 1st; parents, Thomas and Mrs. Bowles.

Child John, born December 2, 1749, baptized May 1st; parents, John and Marget.

Child Edward, born January 26th, baptized May 1st; parents, same as last.

Child Samuel, born February, 1750, baptized May 1st; parents, John and Walled King.

Child Marget, born February, 1749, baptized May 1st; parents, same as last.

Child Joseph, born November, 1750, baptized May 1st; parents, John and Jane Woods.

Child Nelly, born March 20th, baptized May 1st; parents, Thomas and Mary Baret.

Child Elizabeth, born August 15th, baptized May 1st; parents, William and Mary Braun.

Child Rebecca born March 29th, baptized May 12th; parents, Adolph and Catharine Wolfsbach.

Child ——, born February 24th, baptized May 12th; parents, John and Jane Jaquette.

Child Henry, born April 23d, baptized May 18th; parents, Henry and Mary Bishop.

Child Sarah, born April 24th, baptized May 18th; parents Peter and Mary Galloway.

Child James, born February 14th, baptized May 27th; parents, Matthews and Elizabeth Grew.

Child Elizabeth, born May 24th, baptized May 27th; parents, Elias and Elizabeth Humphreys.

Child William, born May 22d, baptized May 27th; parents, Philip and Margaret McBraid.

Child Elizabeth, born April 14th, parents, William and Sarah Baker.

*Child Anne, born June 6, 1750, baptized June 16th; parents, Eric and Mary Stalcop.

*Child Jeremiah, born May 28th, baptized June 16th; parents, William and Christina Swensson Castan.

Child John, born March 29th, baptized April 29th; parents, John and Elizabeth Bishop.

*Child Sarah, born May 17th, baptized June 23d; parents, Matthias and Rebecca Mortenson.

*Child Sarah, born March 21st, baptized May 12th; parents, Joseph and Regina Mortensson.

Child Sylvester, born January 7th, baptized June 23d; parents, Wm. and Anne Welch.

Child John, born August 6th, baptized August 23d; parents, John and Charity Montgomery.

Child John James, born December 24th, baptized June 23d; parents, William and Jane Singletown McDowel.

Child Hannah, born March 25th, baptized June 23d; parents, Adam and Mary Rose.

The following ten were baptized same day in Marlborough Church:

Child George, born February 16, 1744,
Child William, born April 16, 1746,
Child Robert, born October 22, 1748,
Child Elizabeth, born October 2, 1750,
} Baptized June 30th; parents, Robert and Elizabeth Tassed.

Child Mary, born August 13, 1740, baptized June 30; parents James and Marta Waldin.

Child Elizabeth, born July 22, 1750, baptized June 30th; parents, Thomas and Mary Wan.

Child William, born April 7, 1749 baptized June 30th; parents, David and Margaret King Breadford.

Child Thomas, born April 15, 1749, baptized June 30th; parents, the last named.

Child Ester, born September 6, 1750, baptized June 30th; parents, Farday and Mary McHew.

Child Joseph, born June 15, 1750, baptized June 30th; parents, Wm. and Margret Gray.

*Child Rebecca, born June 5th, baptized July 1st; parents, Cornelius and Margret Mortenson Van der Weer.

*Child Peter, born June 21st, baptized July 2nd; parents, Andreas and Cathrine Stalcop Stille.

Child John, born May 8th, baptized July 14th; parents, Jacobus and Mary Hein.

Child Amos, born May 10th, baptized July 27th; parents, Wm. and Hannah Nicolas.

Child Mathew, born May 18th, baptized July 27th; parents, Robert and Margaret Klinton.

Child John, born May 26th, baptized July 27th; parents, John and Mary Denin.

Child Elizabeth, born July 12th, baptized July 27th; parents, John and Jane Fisher Baddy.

Child George, born June 25th, baptized July 28th; parents, John and Margret Kees.

Both Illegitimate. Child John, born April 22nd, baptized July 28th; parents, John Colwell and Mary Kinni.
Child Susanna, born May 30th, baptized July 28th; parents, Wm. Bradky and Elizabeth Howell.

Child Timothy, born July 3rd, baptized August 4th; parents, Lulof and Jane Stidham.

Child Anne, born August 15th, baptized August 19th; parents, Swen and Cathrine Hendrickson Walraven.

Child Anne, born April 28th, baptized August 19th; parents, Wm. and Susanna Sharpley.

Child John, born September 30, 1746, baptized August 24th; true father unknown, mother, Rachel Crissen.

Child Jane, born July 16th, baptized August 25th; parents, James and Rose McLaughlin Brochon.

Child Thomas, born August 25th, baptized September 15th; parents, Wm. and Sara Follis.

*Child Jonas, born September ——, baptized September 29th; parents, Gustas and Sara Walraven.

*Child Zachris, born September 7th, baptized October 6th parents, Zacharias and Sara Derickson.

Child John, born August 21st, baptized October 6th; parents, Mark and Elizabeth Bell Covin.

*Child Willing, born September 21st, baptized October 20th; parents, James and Elenor Willing Minzi.

Child Mary, born August 24th, baptized October 7th; parents, Wm. and Grace Davis.

Child Margret, born January 17th, baptized January 25th; parents, David and Sara Salkeld.

Child Hezechiel, born July 28th, baptized October 25th; parents, Joseph and Mary Gorby.

Child Ingeborg, born October 14th, baptized October 27th; parents, Jonas and Mary Colsberg Stidham.

Child Thomas, born July 18th, baptized November 3d; parents, Robert and Jane Montgomery Taylor.

Child Edward, born July 27th; parents, Joseph and Mary Pierce.

Child Hannah, born October 4th, baptized November 3d; parents, Wm. and Phœbe Broom.

Child Even, born October 13th, baptized November 10th; parents, John and Annie Cook.

Child John, born July 10th, baptized November 24th; parents, Ephraim and Catharine McCaleb.

Child Sarah, born September 27th, baptized November 24th; parents, John and Mary Meyer.

Child Catharine, born November 3d, baptized November 24th; parents, William and Elenor Culay.

*Child David, born November 13th, baptized December 8th; parents, Moses and Martha White.

Child Margret, born July 1st, baptized December 21st; parents, Edward and Sarah White.

Illegitimate child Charles, born November 3d, baptized December 21st; mother, Sarah Loan; father, Henry Nail.

Child Sarah, baptized December 21st, in a stream of water near Folks Mannor's Church; was sick; parents, James and Jane McKey.

Child James, born December 16, 1750, baptized December 22d; parents, James and Mary Champin Conolly.

Child Mary, born October 12th, baptized December 22d; parents Even and Elizabeth Reece.

Illegitimate child Catharine, born October 17th, baptized December 22d; mother, Sarah Bratton; father, James Thompson.

Child Jacob, born November 18th, baptized December 22d; parents, Richard and Susanna Justis Robbinsson.

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Child Peter, born August 19, baptized January 5; parents, James and Lady McGinnis.

Child John, born May 27, baptized January 8; parents, Urias and Mary Blew.

Child Susannah, born March 13, 1750, parents George and Johanna King.

Child Rachael, born December 27, baptized January 26; parents, James and Elizabeth Elder.

Child Benjamin, born December 28, baptized February 5; parents, Thomas and Jane Philip.

Child Thomas, born December 26, baptized February 5; parents, Wm. and Jane Miller.

Child James, born October 1, baptized February 5; parents, Patrick and Mary Rion.

Child Mary, born January 14, baptized February 11; parents, Mark and Jane Ellot.

Child Matthew, born January 30, baptized February 16; parents, Thomas and Jane McCord.

Child Henry, born February 17, baptized March 1; parents, Henry and Barbro Ruish.

*Child Anna, born January 14, baptized March 2; parents, Andreas and Maria Justis.

Child Sara, born February 28, baptized March 8; parents, John and Brigite Kirk.

Child Anne, born January 1, baptized March 8; parents, James and Jane Kirk.

Child Emsson, born February 28, baptized, March 21; parents, Emsson and Susannah Bird.

Child Rebecca, born March 7, baptized March 21; parents, James and Catharine Justis McDonald.

Child Anne, born December 26, baptized March 22; parents, John and Anne Hawkey Stuard.

Child Adam, born August 13, 1751, baptized March 22; parents, Adam and Margaret Cooper.

Child Elizabeth, born February 2, baptized March 22; parents, James and Jane Andrew Willsson.

Child James, born January 9, baptized March 22; parents, James and Mary Downard.

Child John, born October 8, baptized March 22; parents, John and Marta Cross Miller.

Child Anne, born September 28, baptized March 22; parents, Alexander and Elizabeth Ramsey.

Child Mary, born January 7, baptized March 29; parents, Eric and Mary Twigg Stalcop.

Child Susanna, born December 4, 1757, baptized March 29; parents, Michael and Elizabeth Sigmund.

Child Rachael, born February 17, baptized March 30; parents, Robert and Elizabeth Pierce.

Child Isaac, born March 5, baptized March 30; parents, John and Annie Tossa Lea.

Child James, born March 9, baptized April 5; parents, John and Mary Mortinson Sparry.

Child Elizabeth, born April 3, baptized April 12; parents, Jacob and Mary Loinan Andersson,

*Child Israel, born April 4, baptized April 23; parents, Samuel and Elizabeth Peterson Real.

Child Margret, born April 10, baptized April 23; parents, Thomas and Mary Almond.

Child Samuel, born March 19, baptized April 25; parents, William and Elizabeth Rayl.

Child Jacob, born February 16, baptized in Marlborough, April 25; parents, Jacob and Anne Thompson.

Child Enoch, born February 16, baptized in Marlborough, April 25; parents, Brice and Elizabeth Collins.

Child Jesa, born March 25, baptized in Marlborough, April 25; parents, Henry and Dorothea Fowel.

Child James, born September 18, baptized in Marlborough, April 25; parents, James and Joanna Fitchpatrick.

Child James, born January 4, baptized April 25; parents, James and Mary Shelldon.

Child Hannah, born February 27, baptized April 25; parents, Henry and Brita Clasky.

Child Mary, born February 21, baptized April 25; parents, John and Anne Garritson.

Child Mary, born February 25, baptized in Marlborough, May 6; parents, Daniel and Mary Kain.

Child Antony, born May 10, 1751, baptized in Marlborough, May 6; parents, George and Mary Baldwin.

Child Anne, born May 26, baptized in Marlborough, May 6; parents, Cornelius and Rachel McWeyer.

Child Levy, born July 14, 1747, baptized in Marlborough, May, 6; parent, James Hall, a Quaker.

Child Mary, born August 23, 1750, baptized in Marlborough, May 6; parent, Mary Cleany.

Child Benjamin, born February 14th, baptized April 26; parents, Thomas and Marget Nott.

Child Paulus, April 12th, baptized May 10th; parents, Paulus and Barbro Hausman.

*Child Senecce, born April 13th, baptized May 10th; parents, James Senecce and Margret Werdeman.

*Child Isaac, born March 16th, baptized April 26th; parents, Lucas and Anna Monson.

*Child Peter, born April 26th, baptized May 17th; parents, John and Sarah Stedham Springer.

*Child Elizabeth, born September 21, 1750, baptized May 21st; parents, Peter and Anne Brunberg.

Child Elenor, born February 2d, baptized May 24th; parents, Michel and Else Meloy.

Child James, born April 17th, baptized May 27th; parents, Moses and Anne White.

Child Mary, born May 9th, baptized May 27th; parents, John and Agnes Howes.

Child Elizabeth, born August 12, 1751, baptized May 28th; parents, Thomas and Anne Garritsson Adams.

Child Rachel, born May 1st, baptized June 2d; parents, William and Anne Robinsson Ball.

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Child Mary, born August 21st, baptized June 3rd; parents, John and Jane MeKenny.

Child Mary, born April 1st, baptized June 3rd; parents, Robert and Elizabeth Dougherty.

Child John, born December 8th, baptized June 3rd; parents, Frank and Margaret Forster Shirew.

Illegitimate child Jane, born February 10th, baptized June 3rd; parents, Andrew Enochs and Catharine Brion.

Illegitimate child Mary, born August 2, 1750, baptized June 3d; parents, Arthur Molland and Ester Burns.

Illegitimate child Edward, born August 20, 1751, baptized June 3d; parents, John Goldsmidt and Dina a mulatto.

Child James, born May 5th, baptized June 3rd ; parents, Jane and James Whitcrust.

Child John, born July 8, 1747, baptized June 3d; parents, Hugh and Mary Thomson McRoy.

Child James, born May 27th, baptized June 7th; parents, Thomas and Jane Johnson.

Child Jacob, born May 3d, baptized June 7th; parents, Hans and Cathrina Nas.

Child Isabel, born May 6th, baptized June 7th; parents, Peter and Jane Peterson.

Child Annie, born February 2d, baptized June 14th; parents, Niclas and Margaret Moor.

Child William, born November 7th, baptized June 14th; parents, John and Elizabeth Paulson Kary.

Child Jane, born March 21st, baptized June 14th; parents, Daniel and Anna Carnay.

Child Isaac, born March 23d, baptized June 28th; parents, Henry and Susanna Brachon.

Child Elizabeth, born March 7, 1750, baptized June 28th; parents, James and Elizabeth Matthews.

Child Margret, born June 9th, baptized July 5th; parents, John and Anna Bossord.

*Child Elenor, born June 26th, baptized July 5th; parents, Joseph and Annika Justis Springer.

Child Thomas, born June 3rd, baptized July 12th; parents, John and Elizabeth Dillmore.

*Child Susanna, born July 7th, baptized July 12th· parents, Peter and Cathrina Loinan Andsrson.

Child Susanna, born June 22d, baptized July 19th; parents, John and Susanna Hendrickson Hedge.

Child Lady, born June 11th, baptized July 19th; parents, Peter and Sussanna Paulson Stalcop.

Illegitimate child Ester, born April 12th, baptized July 16th; parents, Henry Lowell and Mary Flatcher.

Child Anna, born May 24th, baptized August 1st; parents, Thomas and Jane Duss.

Child Charles, born July 6th, baptized August 2d; parents, John and Susanna Bauman.

Child John } Twins, born July 31st, baptized August 2d;
Child James } parents, Wm. and Sarah Baker.

*Child Peter, born July 19th, baptized July 20th; parents, Peter and Brita Vander Weer.

*Child William, born June 29th, baptized July 7th; parents, Carl and Johanna Stillman.

*Child Jacob, born July 27th, baptized August 26th; parents, Swen and Maria Justis.

Child Jane, born March 9th, baptized August 26th; parents, James and Else McKoom.

Child Henry, born June 15th, baptized August 26th; parents, Conrad and Barbro Wirth Grey.

*Child Rachel, born July 25th, baptized August 30th; parents, John and Hannah Walraven.

*Child Isaac, born July 9th, baptized September 14th; parents, Hinric and Elizabeth Colesberg.

Child James, born July 14, 1749, } baptized September 14th;
Child Elizabeth, born November 11th. } parents, Peter and Margret Stone.

Child Eleanora, born August 30th, baptized September 24th; parents, Wm. and Johanna Vanneaman.

Child Margret, born September 17th, baptized September 27th; parents, Peter and Rebecca Hopman Peterson.

*Child Benjamin, born October 1st, baptized October 10th; parents, Peter and Isabella Hare Stedham.

*Child Christina, born August 25th, baptized October 10th; parents, Wm. and Christina Swenson Castan.

Child Ann, born July 2nd, baptized October 11th; parents, Abraham and Sarah Twigs.

Child Ann, born July 20th, baptized October 12th, parents, Henry and Mary Watson.

*Child Margret, born October 9th, baptized October 15th; parents, Nils and Mary Springer Justis.

*Child Lady, born October 23, 1751; parents, John and Mary Stedham.

*Child Maria, born August 15th, baptized October 19th; parents, Cornelius and Margret Vander Weer.

Child Maria, born September 28th, baptized October 22nd; parents, Joseph and Hushella Barbro Shaw.

*Child David, born September 20th, baptized October 29th; parents, Matthias and Rebecca Morten.

*Illegitimate child Richard, born April, 1750, baptized November 1st; parents, Richard Barnaby and Rebecca Camp.

Child John, born September 10th, baptized November 4th; parents, Robert and Jane Miller.

*Child Simon, born October 16th, baptized November 23rd; parents, Simon and Elenor Paulson.

*Child William, born November 22nd, baptized 26th; parents; Jesper and Maria Wallraven.

*Child John, born October 20th, baptized November 26th; parents, Jesper and Maria Classon.

Child William, born August 1st, baptized November 29th; parents, Edward and Elizabeth King.

Child Hannah, born February 30, 1749; parents, James and Christina Kannathy.

Child Elizabeth, born June 6th, baptized November 29th; parents, Robert and Mary Klinton.

*Child Jacob, born October 26th, baptized December 10th; parents, Jacobus and Mary Hein.

*Child Elenore, born July 26th, baptized December 10th, parents, Wm. and Margret Almond.

Illegitimate child James, born December 6th, baptized 29th; father Matthew and mother Jane Gordon.

ANNO 1753.

Child Catherina, born January 9th, baptized 21st; parents, Edward and Beata Hopman Groahms.

Child Anna, born December 23, 1752, baptized January 21st; parents, James and Lady McGennis.

Child Catherina, born November 19th, baptized January 21st; parents, Wm. and Susanna Sharpley.

Child William, born October 11th, baptized February 1st; parents, Olle and Mary Paulson.

Child Peter, born January 24th, baptized February 6th; parents, Hans and Johanna Jaquet.

Child Christina, born November 24, 1752, baptized February 11th; parents, Jonas and Sara Morten.

Child William, born December 16, 1752, baptized February 11th; parents, Joseph and Margret Abrahams.

Child Susannah, born January 28th, baptized February 11th; parents, Swen Brunberg and Anna Pierce.

Child William, born February 7th, baptized February 25th; parents, William and Sarah Follows.

Child Mary, born April 16, 1752, baptized February 28th; parents, Alexander and Anne Wilson.

Child William, born January 9th, baptized February 28th; parents, Thomas and Elizabeth Borrels.

Child Rachael, born March 4th, baptized March 28th; parents, Wm. and Margret Bell.

Child Cathrina, born March 22nd, baptized April 8th; parents, John and Catharina Didrickson Loinan.

Child John, born February 26th, baptized April 8th; parents, Charles Janson and Anne Ogle Springer.

Child Peter, born February 18th, baptized April 23rd; parents, Wm. and Catharina Justus Paulsson,

Child Ruth, born March 26th, baptized April 23rd; parents, Bartholomew and Eleonora Paulson.

Child Anna Ulrica, born April 28th, baptized May 10th; parents, Mr. Adolph Benzel and Mrs. Rebecca Tranberg Benzel. Witness, Governor and Knight of His Royal Majesty's order of the North Star, Lars Benzelstierna, in whose place stood the Prvost Magister Israel Acrelius, Herr Gostas Hessellius, the Herr Pastor Erric Unander and Morten Justis; the Dean's wife Ulrica Filenia, Mrs. Anna Cathrina Tranberg, the Pastor's wife at Wicacoe, Mrs. Elizabeth Parten and Ingeborg Robinson.

Child Maria, born March 31st, baptized May 9th ; parents, Henry and Mary Bishop.

Child Magdalena, born November 9, 1752, baptized May 10th; parents, Daniel and Maria Worms.

Child Maria Eva, born April 14th, baptized May 10th; parents, Johan and Anna Margreta Saader.

Illegitimate child Cathrine, born March 1st, baptized May 13th; father, James Brook, mother, Mary English.

Child Cathrina, born March 7th, baptized March 13th; parents, Henry and Elizabeth Dery.

Child Margret, born February 20th, baptized May 20th; parents, Mark and Elizabeth Caulyn.

Child Ann, born June 10th, baptized July 15th; parents, Tobias and Jane Van der Weer.

Child Eleonora, born June 21st, baptized July 15th; parents, Cloud and Darkes Lyon.

Child Johan, born June 15th, baptized July 15th; parents, James and Maria Springer.

Child Mary, born July 4th, baptized July 17th; parents, Chambers and Rebecca Hall.

Child William, born May 16, 1750, } baptized July 25th; parents, Thomas and Hannah Parkin.
Child Eben Ezer, born December 1, 1752. }

Child Rebecca, born June 26th, baptized July 29th; parents, Anders and Maria Justis.

Child Ezechiel, born June 30th, baptized August 19th; parents, John and Elizabeth McKery.

*Child Margreta, born July 22nd, baptized July 26th; parents, Lulof and Jane McDowel.

Child Margretha Dorthea, born August 9th, baptized August 26th; parents, Michael Barbro Wetwer.

Child Jonathan, born May 29, 1749, baptized August 29th; parents, William and Martha Taylor.

Child Johannes, born February 7th, baptized September 2nd; parents, George and Anna Maria Grey.

Child Johannes, born April 5th, baptized September 2nd; parents, Christopher and Maria Kraut.

*Child Cathrine, born August 19th, baptized September 16th; parents, Charles and Mary Springer.

*Child James, born August 27th, baptized September 18th; parents, James and Catharina McDonald.

Child Cathrine, born May 18th, baptized September 30th; parents, Charles and Sarah Grahams.

Child Thomas, born July 1st, baptized September 31st; parents, Lewis and Sarah Prees.

Child Sarah, born August 6th, baptized September 30th; parents, James and Jane Willson.

Child William, born May 8th, baptized September 30th; parents, Cornelius and Agnes Bain.

Child Mary, born March 17th, baptized September 30th; parents, Thomas and Martha Mahon.

Child William, born September 2nd, baptized September 30th; parents, Robert and Elizabeth Armstrong.

*Child John, born September 12th, baptized September 26th ; parents, Johan and Sara Springer.

Child Isaac, born September 17th, baptized September 30th; parents, Swen and Cathrina Walraven.

*Child Sarah, born September 30th, baptized October 10th; parents, George and Margret Loinan.

Illegitimate child Susanna, born October 1st, baptized the 8th; father, James Molland, mother, Susanna.

Child Anne, born March 11th, baptized October 16th; parents, William and Anne Morten Welch.

Child, James, born June 23rd, baptized October 18th; parents, Daniel and Christina Few.

Child Wennefrend, born October 24, 1750, parents, Johan and Cathrina Corneliusson.

Child Sarah, born February, baptized, October 21st, parents, Johan and Cathrina Corneliusson.

The following twelve baptized in Marlborough church:

Child James, born April 7th, baptized October 28th; parents, John and Mary Cookly.

Child Margret, born May 18th, baptized October 28th; parents, John and Mary Denin.

Child Agnes, born June 6th, baptized October 28th; parents, James and Elizabeth Alis.

Child Jane, born March 19th, baptized October 28th; parents, Alexander and Elizabeth Barnsay.

Child John, born June —, baptized October 28th; parents, John and Margret Thomson.

Child William, born March 1st, baptized October 28th; parents, Garret and Elizabeth Dougherthy.

Child Margret, born August 1st, baptized October 28th; parents, Robert and Jane Taylor.

Child Robert, born March 28th, baptized October 28th; parents, Michael and Anne Montgomery.

Child Pheobe, born October 25th, baptized October 28th; parents, William and Jane McDowel.

Child John, born May 3rd, baptized October 28th; parents, John and Mary Breyd.

Child Francis, born August 24, 1730, baptized October 28th.

Child Sarah, born October 28, 1732, baptized October 28th. Parents, Francis and Sarah Chany.

Child Hannah, born October 21st, baptized November 4th; parents, Gustas and Sarah Walraven.

Child Mary, born August 4th, baptized November 6th; parents, Amos and Rachel Erby.

Illegitimate child John, born March 26th, baptized November 22nd; father, John Bratton, mother, Margaret Butler.

Child John, baptized November 25th; parents, Jacob and Anderson.

Child Anna Barbro, born November 30th, baptized December 9th; parents, Philip and Susannah Stalcop.

Child Rachael, born October 21st, baptized December 2nd; parents, Johan and Maria Stedham.

Child Elizabeth born October 28th, baptized December 23rd; parents, Pierce and Briget Swenson Potat.

Child William, born October 25th, baptized December 26th; parents, William and Sarah Sutton.

Child John, born September 26th, baptized December 26th; parents, Edward and Jamaima Kockhorn.

Child Jane, born July 26th, baptized December 26th; parents, James and Jane Oggle.

Child Richard, born November 8th, baptized December 26th; parents, Joseph and Sarah Tull.

Child Elizabeth, born August 26th, baptized December 26th; parents, Alexander and Martha Oggle.

Child William, born May 1st, baptized December 26th; parents, William and Margaret Kean.

Child George, born March 28th, baptized December 29th; parents, David and Anna Bush.

Child Rebecca, born November 20th, baptized December 30th; parents, Isaac and Sarah Smidt.

ANNO 1754.

Child Jemaymi, born November 17th, baptized January 10th ; parents, John and Elizabeth Finsh.

*Child John, born January 7th, baptized — 12th ; parents, Samuel and Mary Brunberg Seeds.

Child Mary, born October 9, 1753, baptized January 14th ; parents, John and Elizabeth Bishop.

Child Anne, born December 13, 1753, baptized January 14th ; parents, John and Elizabeth McCollough.

Illegitimate child Johan, baptized January 20th ; father, John Almond, mother, Barbro McMolland.

Child Mary, born December 31, 1753, baptized January 20th ; parents, William and Sarah Baker.

Child Maria Dorothea, born January 22nd, baptized 21st ; parents, Jacob and Maria Barbro Gregg.

Child Henric Christian, born October 1st, baptized January 26th ; parents, Henric and Elizabeth Parsson.

Illegitimate child Hannah, born January 11th, baptized February 17 ; father, John Kelsey, mother Anne.

*Child John, born February 20th, baptized March 3d ; parents Anders and Cathrine Stille.

*Child Isaac, born February 25th, baptized March 17th ; parents Johan and Elizabeth Tummeson.

Child Maria, born September 5th, 1753, baptized March 17th ; parents, James and Jane Kirk.

*Child Peter, born December 28th, baptized March 31st ; parents, Zacharias and Elizabeth Hindricksson.

Child Johan Joseph, born January 31st, baptized March 31st ; parents, Johan and Maria Susanna Bauman.

Child Anna, born February 31st, baptized March 31st ; parents, Jacob and Magdalena Stukley.

*Child Sarah, born February 8th, baptized April 7th ; parents, Jonathan and Magdalena Stille.

Child Jacob, born September 13th, baptized April 7th ; parents, Johan and Margret Lewis.

*Child Elizabeth, born January 16, 1753, baptized October 14th ; parents, Thomas and Sarah Morten.

Child Jane, born — 11th, baptized April 15th · parents, Mark and Jane Ellot.

Child Ester, born December 22d, baptized April 15th ; parents, Moses and Martha White.

Child Anne, born January 21st, baptized April 17th ; parents, Conrad and Maria Garritsson.

Child Thomas, born January 9th, baptized April 17th ; parents, William and Phœbe Brown.

Child Cornelia, born November 9th, 1748;

Child William, born October 3th, 1752;

Child Eliakim, born December 11th, 1753;

Baptized April 1st ; parents, Adam and Sarah Price.

Child Anne, born March 25th, baptized April 21 ; parents, Thomas and Mary Almond.

Child Cathrine, born February 22d, baptized April 21st ; parents, Archibald and Jane Latimore.

Child Mary, born March 24th, baptized April 21st ; parents, Benjamin and Margret Gardner.

Child Samuel, born March 26th, baptized April 28th ; parents, Matthew and Rebecca Tays.

Child Robert, born April 9th, baptized April 28th ; parents, Samuel and Anne Floyd.

Child Elizabeth, born March 28th, baptized April 28th ; parents, Edward and Florentz Ring.

Child Jane, born March 14th, baptized April 28th ; parents, Robert and Mary Douglas.

Child Sarah, born February 12, 1752, baptized May 1st; parents, John and Brigit Collins.

Child Anne, born March 1st, baptized May 23d ; parents, Thomas and Jane Philips.

Child Elihu, born March 25th, baptized May 23d ; parents, William and Rebecca Talley.

Child Richard, born December 29th, baptized May 23d ; parents, Richard and Rebecca Lennard.

Child Thomas, 3 years old,
Child Miriam, 2½ years old,
Child David, 1 year old,
} baptized May 23d, parents, John and Marth Wayd.

Child William, 9 years old, baptized May 23d ; parents, John and Ester Hopton.

Child John, 1 ½ years old, baptized May 23d; parents, James and Jane Allen.

Child Elizabeth, 1 year old, baptized May 23d; parents, George and Elizabeth Connel.

Child Robert, born December 16, 1753, baptized May 23d; parents, Robert and Ester Sherred.

*Child John, born April 16th, baptized May 23d; parents, John and Cathrine Jackson.

Child William, born May 17th, baptized May 23rd; parents, Patrick and Mary Royal.

Child Maria Cathrina, born April 18th, baptized May 19th; parents, Paul and Barbro Hausman.

*Child Peter, born May 11th, baptized May 26th;

*Child Cornelius, born May 11th; parents Zacharias and Sarah Derickson.

Child Susannah, born August 10, 1754, baptized June 3rd; parents, Laurents and Comfort Sorely.

Child Samuel, born March 18th, baptized June 3rd; parents, Mattick and Sarah Glain.

Child Rachael, born February 22nd, baptized June 3rd; parents, William and Janet Foot.

Child Mary, born January 23rd, baptized June 3rd; parents, James and Anna Floyd.

Child John, 2 ½ years old;

Child William, born December 14, 1753;

Parents, John and Anne Sherlock.

Child Adam, born April 10th, baptized June 3rd; parents, Adam and Anna Marly.

Child Else, born March 9th, baptized June 3rd, parents, Adam and Margret Kelley.

*Child John, born April 2nd, baptized June 5th; parents, Charles and Johannah Stillman.

Child Anna, born May 23rd, baptized June 8th; parents, George and Elizabeth Lewis.

Child Hannah, born May 26th, baptized July 9th; parents, Uriah and Mary Blew.

Child Frances, born July 3rd baptized July 7th; parents, Mr. Samuel and Mrs. Deborah Johnson.

*Child Johan, born June 29th, baptized July 1st; parents, Peter and Brita VanderWeer.

Child Sarah, born November 7, 1757;

Child Anne, born September 26, 1753, baptized August 9th; parents, Walter and Elizabeth Hogshead.

Child Adam, born May 8th, baptized August 9th; parents, Matthias and Elizabeth Mayer.

*Child Balthazar, born July 11, 1754, baptized September 1st; parents, John and Anna Mar Leming Collins.

*Child John, born August 16th, baptized September 15th; parents, Adam and Catherina Sueider.

*Child William, born September 14th, baptized September 22nd; parents, William and Johanna Vanneaman.

*Child Susannah, born August 10th, baptized September 22nd; parents, Peter and Susannah Stalcop.

Child Elizabeth, born November 21, 1753, baptized September 29th; parents, John and Mary Ross.

Child Rebecca, born May 27th, baptized September 29th; parents, Elias and Elizabeth Humphreys.

Illegitimate child Charles, born November 21, 1752, baptized September 29th; father, John Collowel, mother Margret Sandelin.

Illegitimate child Susanna, born August 25th, baptized September 30th; father, Dr. Jacob Ross, mother, Hannah Barbro Owermayerin.

*Child Isaac, born September 2nd, baptized October 20th; parents, Jacob and Mary Heins.

Child James, born September 24th, baptized October 20th; parents, Cloud and Darkes Lyon.

Child Margreta, born November 2nd, baptized November 20th; parents, Matthias and Cathrina Martin.

Child Miriam, born October 25, 1751, baptized 22nd; parents, Jacob and Hindrena Wirth.

Child Anne, born September 18th, baptized October 22nd; parents, Tobias and Margret Poulson.

Child Philip Jacob, born October 24th, baptized October 28th; parents, Peter and Maria Helfestein.

Child Joseph, born November 14th, baptized December 1st; parents, Ernest and Lobrina Jacobi.

*Child Maria, born November 25th, baptized December 8th ; parents, Eric and Brita Smidt.

Child Sarah, born October 6th, baptized December 14th ; parents James and Else McKoom.

Child William, born November 5th, baptized December 14th ; parents, Wiliam and Elizabeth Philips

*Child Rebecca, born November 23d, baptized December 22d ; parents, Jesper and Maria Wallrave.

Child Anna Barbro, born December 21st, baptized December 22d ; parents, Jacob and Anna Eva Stalley.

Child Maria Barbro, born December 8th, baptized December 22d ; parents, Jacob and Anna Eva Gray.

Child Margret, born March 16th, baptized Decembor 30th; parents, Thomas and Mary Fling.

Mrs. Sarah Falkoner, born April 4th, 1737, baptized December 30th; the wife of Captain Nathaniel Falkoner, daughter of Robert and Sarah Moulder of Marcus Huik.

Child Robert, born February 11th, 1745;

Child Johan, born April 20th, 1747 ;

Child William, born January 9th, 1748;

Child Joseph, born January 2d, 1757;

Child Margret, born June 17, 1754;

Parents, Benjamin, and Margret Moulder, of Marcus Hook.

ANNO 1755.

Illegitimate child William, born Nov. 7, 1754, baptized January 1 ; father Isaac Few, mother Rose Gaulanger.

Child David, born October 22d, 1754, baptized January 2d; parents, David and Mary Deric.

Child Henry, born November 16th, 1754, baptized January 2 ; parents, William and Susanna Colgen.

Child Elizabeth, born October 30th, 1754, baptized January 2d ; parents, William and Mary Glean.

Child Mary, born September 6th, 1754, baptized January 2d ; parents, George and Elizabeth Couste.

Child Mary, born April 13th, 1754, baptized January 5th ; parents, Empson and Susanna Bird.

Child Susanna, born December 29th, 1755, baptized January 5th, parents, James and Mary Armstrong.

Child Susanna, born September 22d, 1755, baptized January 5th; parents, Abraham and Sarah Twigg.

Child Thomas, born October 6th, baptized January 5th; parents, Walter and Sarah Nugen.

Mrs. Kelly, 54 years old, baptized January 11th; immediately afterwards took the Lord's supper in New Castle.

Child Joseph, born June 10th, 1754, baptized January 17th; parents, Samuel and Bachel Barker.

*Child Maria, born January 10th, baptized January 17th; parents, Anders and Maria Justis.

*Child Petrus, born January 2d, baptized January 17th; parents, Magnus and Helena Justis.

Mrs. Lady Robnet, wife of Allen Robenet, 43 years old, baptized March 27th.

Son Joseph, 16 years old,
Daughter Rachel, 12½ years old,
Son David, 9 years old,
Daughter Lady, 5 years old,
baptized March 27th, in Marcus Hook;

Child Margaret, born February 24th, baptized March 31st; parents, Peter and Anne Agnew.

Child Elenor, born March 2nd, baptized March 31st; parents, Joseph and Regina Morton.

Child Levry, born January 20th, baptized March 30th; parents, Joseph and Jane Pierce.

Daughter Mary, 8 years old; born at Marcus Hook,
Daughter Margaret, 3 years old; born at Marcus Hook,
Child Mails, born January 8th, born at Marcus Hook,
baptized April 5th; parents Mails and Jane McCarty,
Daughter Annie, 5 years old, born at Marcus Hook,
Son John, born September 3, 1752, at Marcus Hook,
baptized April 5th; parents Wm. and Susanna Clark,
Son Joseph, born February 22, 1752, at Marcus Hook,
Daughter Annie, born August 15; 1752; at Marcur Hook,
Son Samuel, born January 15, 1734; at Marcus Hook,
baptized April 5th; parents Samuel and Elizabeth Armor.

Child Mary, born March 1st, baptized April 5th; parents, Wm. and Rebecca Lamplugh.

Child Hannah, born February 4th, baptized April 14th; parents, Wm. and Susanna Sharpley.

Child William, born October 10, 1754, baptized April 13th; parents, Daniel and Christina Few.

Child James, born February 26th, baptized April 13th; parents, James and Elenore Minzy,

Child Johan, born March 26th, baptized May 9th; parents Gabriel and Mary Fought.

Illegitimate, Child Ruth, born December 4th, baptized May 13th; parents, James and Mary McChever.

*Child Isaac, born January 12th, baptized May 13th; parents, Wm. and Susanna Stidham

Child William, born March 10th, baptized May 13th; parents, Wm. and Margaret Almond.

Illegitimate child David, born May 29, 1754, baptized May 17th, 1755; parents, David Killpatrick, mother, Mary Montgommery.

*Child Jonas, born April 17th, baptized May 19th; parents, Morten aud Sarah Wallraven.

Child John, born August 29, 1754, baptized June 22nd; parents, John and Jeane Stuart Morten.

*Child James, born April 15th, baptized June 8th; parents, Charles and Annie Springer Johnson.

*Child Henry, born May 7th, baptized June 8th; parents Matthias and Rebecca Morten.

Illegitimate child John, born May 11th, baptized June 8th: parents, John Lokton and Mary Grissith Lokton.

Child James, born May 2nd, baptized June 8th, parents, James and Lady McGinnis.

*Child Mary born May 11th, baptized June 15th; parents William and Mary Dirrickson.

Child Hannah, born September 16, 1749, at Marcus Hook, baptized June 28th; parents, Henry and Mary Stidham.

Child William, born April 12th, at Marcus Hook, baptized June 28th; parents, Ibenhard and Cathrine Steyerwald.

Child Jeane, born May 15th, at Marcus Hook, baptized June 28th; parents, Thomas and Elenor Diric.

Allen, born March 25, 1735, at Marcus Hook, baptized June 28th; son of Allen and Lady Robnet.

*Child Thomas, born June 13th, baptized July 13th; parents, James and Mary Springer.

Child Elizabeth, born December 8th, 1754, baptized July 13th; parents, Chambers and Rebecca Hall.

*Child Cathrina, born June 25th, baptized July 13th; parents, John and Anna Senue.

*Child Rachael born June 6th, baptized July 13th; parents, Peter and Rebecca Springer.

Child Abraham, born June 30th, baptized July 25th; parents, Jacob and Elizabeth Keu.

1747.

Child Sarah, born March 31st, baptized July 25th; parents, John and Jane Carter.

Child Rebecca, born May 17th, baptized July 26th; parents, Alexander and Martha Oggle.

Child Edward, born March 18th, baptized August 3d; parents, Thomas and Jane Dufs.

Child Elizabeth, born June 3d, baptized August 3d; parents, James and Jane Alisson.

Child Anne, born March 19th, baptized August 6th; parents, Joseph and Margret Abrahams.

Child Peter, born July 20th, baptized August 10th; parents, Swen and Anna Brunberg.

Child Jeremiah, born July 4th, baptized August 10th; parents, Charles and Mary Springer.

Child Mary, born June 29th, baptized August 23d; parents, William and Sarah Witehead.

Child Thomas, born July 17th, baptized August 24th; parents, Johan and Elizabeth Stille.

Child Elias, born July 22d, baptized September 7th; parents, Johan and Mary King.

Child Rachael, born May 10, 1754, baptized September 9th; parents, Jonathan and Jean Kirk.

Child Tabitha, born August 6th, baptized September 12th ; parents, James and Jeane Kirk.

Child Cathrina, born August 30th, baptized September 13th ; parents, Cornelius and Sarah Heins.

Child Sarah, born August 27th, baptized September 21st ; parents, Hans and Susanna Bauman.

Child Hans George, born August 14th, baptized September 21st ; parents, Jacob and Martha Lena Stukel.

Child Adam, born September 23d, baptized September 27th ; parents, Jasper and Susanna Justis.

Child Lucas, born July 6th, baptized September 28th ; parents, Peter and Sarah Stidham.

Child Prudence, born September 27th, baptized October 2d ; parents, Captain Nathaniel and Sarah Falckoner.

Servant girl Mary, born 1741,

Boy Thomas, born 1743,

Boy Aaron, born 1745,

Girl Jeane, born 1750,

Baptized October 8th ; parents, Isaac and —— Bullock.

Child Elizabeth, born March 27, 1753.

Child Samuel, born July 14th, baptized October 8th.

Child Joseph, born March 4, 1754, baptized October 8th.

Child Thomas, born December 25, 1753, baptized October 8th.

Child John, born October 19, 1754, baptized October 8th ; parents, William and —— Smidt.

Child Richard, born January 19th, baptized October 8th : parents, Banton and Hannah Davis.

Child John, born May 27th, baptized November 5th ; parents, John and Anne Garrit.

Child Sarah, baptized November 7th ; parents, —— Sandes.

*Child Christina, born November 3d, baptized November 16th ; parents, Swen and Cathrina Wallraven.

*Child Anna, born August 16th, baptized November 16th ; parents, William and Cathrina Pâlson.

*Child Isaac, born October 25th, baptized November 30th ; ents, Matthias and Maria Petersson.

Child Mary, born August 26th, baptized December 1st ; parparents, John and Elizabeth Carnay.

*Child Brigita, born December 6th, baptized December 7th ; parents, Swen and Maria Justis.

Child Cathrine, born October 23, 1754, baptized December 7th ; parents, Conrad and Barbro Grey.

Child John, born November 26th, baptized December 7th ; parents, Hans and Maria Nebuir.

Child Elizabeth, born January 27th, baptized December 13th ; parents, John and Cathrine Marrow.

Child Isaac, born February 29, 1751, baptized December 13th ; parents, John and Mary Van Neaman.

Child Daniel, born December 19th, baptized December 26th ; parents, Joseph and Mary Jackson.

Child William, born December 12th, baptized December 26th; parents, Lancelot and Margret Johnston.

ANNO 1756.

Child Cathrina Magdalena, born December 5, 1755, baptized, parents, Samuel and Maria Shenk.

*Child Carolus, born December 22, 1755, baptized January 2d; parents, Nils and Maria Justis.

Illegitimate child Barbro, born January 3rd, baptized January 18th; Father, Lewis———Mother, Margreta———

Child John, born December 5, 1755, baptized January 11th, parents, John and Maria Stedham.

Child Cath.ina, born December 29, 1755, baptized January 22d; parents, Moses and Martha White.

Child Judith, born December 3, 1752,

Child Sarah, born June 1754,

Baptized January 2d; parents, Christopher and Elenor Hendrickson.

Child Maria, born January 7th, baptized January 27th; parents, Fredric and Margret Smidt.

Child Susanna Dorothea, born November 14, 1755, baptized January 26th; parents, Christopher and Barbro Kraut.

Child Rachel, born November 17, 1755, baptized February 18th; parents, James and Maria Smidt.

Child Jane, born April 8, 1754, baptized February 18th; parents, Niclas and Sarah Fling.

Child Isaac, born November 15, 1755, baptized March 6th; parents, Charles and Jeane Galloway.

CONCORD.

Man, John Armen, 31 years old, August 14th, old style.

Woman, Sarah Armen, Jacob Muler's wife, 34 years old the last June, old style.

Elizabeth, born June 3, 1748,

Mary, born October 30, 1758,

Jacob, born November 10, 1753,

Baptized March 17th; parents, Jacob and Sarah Moth.

Child John, born February 9, 1754, baptized March 17th; parents, John and Ruth Taylor.

Child Barbro, born Februa.y 24th, baptized March 21st; parents Hans and Johannah JaQuette.

Child John, born August 28, 1755, baptized March; parents, John and Elizabeth Kary.

Child Friedrich, born January 13th, baptized March; parents, Jacob and Margreta Krieg.

Child John, born February 15th, baptized March 28th; parents, Isaac and Sarah Smidt.

Child William, born February 8th, baptized April 9th; parents, Moses and Martha Burns.

Child Elizabeth, born March 27th, baptized April 11th; parents, Philip and Susanna Stalcop.

Child Elijah, born February, baptized April 11th; parents, Mark and Jane Ellot,

Child John, bo.n December 17, 1755, baptized April 12th; parents, John and Elizabeth Reese.

Child Susannah, born February 1, 1755, baptized April 12th; parents, Henry and Susanna Brochon.

Illegitimate child Hannah, born February 10, 1755, baptized April 12th; father John McSwine and mother Mary Parmer.

Child Benjamin, born March 29th, baptized April 14th; parents, John and Susannah Hedge.

Child James, born April 8th, baptized April 16th; parents, Daniel and Anne Carnay.

Child Sarah, born March 30th, baptized April 25th; parents, John and Elizabeth Barber.

Child James, born January 28th, baptized April 25th; parents, John and Cathrine Cry.

Child Elizabeth, born March 13th, baptized May 2d: parents, Watkins and Jane Crampton.

Child Elizabeth, born April 13th, baptized May 5th; parents, James and Maria Stidham.

Child Susanna, born February 25th, baptized May 5th; parents, John and Hannah Wallraven.

Child Cathrina Barbro, born April 26th, baptized May 16th; parents, Paul and Barbro Hausman.

Child John Michael, born April 19th, baptized May 6th; parents, Niclas and Anna Cathrina Russel.

Child Isaac, born April 10th, baptized May 19th; parents, Isaac und Margery Bullock.

Child Rachel, born April 10th, baptized May 21st; parents, Tobias and Margret Polson.

Child Elizabeth, born January 10th, baptized May 21st; parents, Edward and Jemmimy Cookhorn.

Child Joseph, born March 7th, baptized May 17th; parents, Samuel and Maria Seeds.

Child James, born April 26th, baptized May 23th; parents, John and Elizabeth Bishop.

Child John, born March 27th, baptized May 23d; parents, Wm. and Mary Allen.

Child Elias, born April 21st, baptized May 23d; parents, Elias and Elizabeth Humphreys.

Child John, born December 16, 1755, baptized May 23d; parents, Isaac and Margret Adams.

*Child Isaac, born May 20th, baptized May 30; parents, Anders and Catharine Stilley.

Child Rebecca, born May 28th, baptized June 6; parents, Joran and Margret Loinan.

*Young woman Christina, 16 years old, parents, Wm. and Mary Hill.

Child Rebecca, born April 17th, baptized June 8th; parents, Benjamin and Margret Larner.

Child Anna Ingeborg, born January 14th, baptized July 4th; parents, Thomas and Sarah Morton.

Child Mary, born December 5, 1753,
Child Arthur, born April 14, 1755,
Child William, born July 3, 1756,
Baptized July 26th; parents, Arthur and Mary Murphy.

Child John, born May 27, 1755, baptized July 28th; parents, Wm. and Catharine Furkes,

Child Joseph, born May 26th, baptized July 11th; parents, Andreas and Dorothea Justis.

Child Elizabeth, born May 10th, baptized July 11th; parents, Robert and Elinor Robinson.

Child Rachael, born June 12th, baptized July 11th; parents, Samuel and Mary Cleany.

Child Amy, born April 3d, baptized July 11th; parents, Wallace and Margaret Bratton.

Child Jacob, born May 5th, baptized July 11th; parents, Hugh and Jane Curfel.

Child John, born April 12th, baptized July 29th; parents, John and Jane Stuart.

Child Maria, born July 23d, baptized August 1st; parents, Gustas and Sarah Walraven.

Child Maria Dorothea,
Child Johan Paul,
Born June 8th, baptized August 1st; parents, Albrecht and Maria Margreta Girchk.

Boy Peter, 10 years old, baptized August 18th; parents, Wm. and Mary Hill.

Child Elizabeth, born July 17th, baptized August 22d; parents, Tobias and Jane Vander Wier.

Child Elenor, born August 31, 1755, baptized August 22d; parents, Thomas and Johannah Shannan.

Child Rachael, born August 22, baptized August 29th; parents, John and Elenor Garretson.

Child Peter, born August 6th, baptized September 3d; parents, Jesper and Maria Classon.

Child Anna Margreta, born December 2, 1755, baptized Sept. 4; parents, Balzar and Maria Stelz.

Child Elizabeth, born May 31st, baptized July 4th ; parents, Joseph and Martha Simcott.

Child Mary, born August 8th, baptized September 12th; parents James and Catharina McDonald.

Child Catharina, born August 28th, baptized September 12; parents, Michael and Barbro Mezger.

Child Johannes, born September 18th, baptized October 3d; parents, Wm. and Johanna Van Neaman.

Child Jacob, born May 1st, baptized October 2d; parents, Jacob and Anna Cathrina Staley.

Child Johan, born July 31st, baptized October 5th; parents, George and Elinor Hugel.

Child James, born October 10, 1755, baptized October 10th; parents, James and Elizabeth Dornell.

Child Isaac, born July 24th, baptized October 10th; parents, Jacob and Sarah Muthin.

Child John, born January, 1749, batized October 10th; parents, Abraham and Elizabeth Burnet.

Child Amos, born August 4th, baptized October 10th; parents, Wm. and Anne Smidt.

Child Robert, born January 15, 1754, baptized October 10th,

Child Susannah, born December 22, 1754, baptized October 10,

Parents, James and Susannah Porter.

Illegitimate child Richard, baptized October 10th, father —— Hossman, mother, Margreta Paulsson.

Child Elizabeth, born September 10th, baptized October 11th; parents, Daniel and Christina Few.

Annie Grub, Emanuel Grub's wife, baptized October 17th, 21 years old.

Servant Hannah Carter; parents, Ninive and Mary Carter, baptized October 17th, 18 years old.

Child Benjamin, born April 9th, 1753,

Child Susannah, born June 11th, —,

Baptized October 17; parents, Emanuel and Anne Grub.

Child William, born May 29, 1754,

Child James, born May 26th,

Baptized October 17th; parents, James and Mary Curry.

Child John, born April 18th, 1750,
Child James, born April 19th, 1752,
Child William, born April 25th, 1754,
Child George, born April —,
Baptized October 17th; parents, William and Margret Huston.
Child Elenore, born July 22d, 1754,
Child Phœbe, born November 30th, 1755,
Bapt zed October 17th; parents, Abrah and Elenore Pike.

Record of those who were baptized by Pastor Ereck Unander at Christina Congregation from the commencement of his pastor's office in the month of October, 1756:

Child Anna, born October 10th, baptized October 15th; parrents, Patrick and Elizabeth Boyd.

Child born in October, baptized November 11th; parents, Christopher and Hendrickson.

Child Cathrina, born October 21th, baptized October 14th; parents, Tobias and Maria Smith.

Child Sarah,
Child Rebecca,
Born November 2d, baptized November 24th; parents, Thomas and Mary Almond.

Child Margreta, born November 20th, baptized November 24th; parents, Gloud and Darkeys Lion.

Child Andrew, born July 9th, baptized November 12th; parents, Joseph and Jane Pearce, from Glouchester County in Jersey.

Child Cathrina, born October 21st, baptized November, 1756; arents, Tobias and Maria Smith.

ANNO 1757.

Child Sarah, born December 22, 1756; parents, Peter and Cathrine Anderson.

Child Margreta, born November 20th; parents, Cloud and Darkeys Lion.

Child Sarah, born November 29, 1756, baptized January 30h, 1757; parents, John and Anna Sinix.

Child Cathrina, born November 26th, baptized December 5th, 1756; parents, Peter and Brita Van Davie.

Child Susannah, born November 23, 1756, baptized January 12th, 1757; parents, William and Susanna Sharpley.

Child Rachel, born September 25, 1750,

Child Thomas, born May 17, 1756,

Baptized January 19, 1757; parents, William and Rebecca Bratton.

Child Hannah, born November 30, 1756, baptized January 9th; parents, Mounce and Ellen Justis.

Child Peter born January 14th, baptized February 7th; parents, Francis and Anne Cathrine Anthony.

Child Elizabeth, born September 27th, baptized January 5, 1727; mother, Anne Pennington.

Child Bruteena, born February 12th, baptized November 6th; parents, Thomas Rebecca Beason.

Child Joseph, born August 12th, baptized November 6th; parents, Joseph and Mary Parvis.

Child Jacob, born August 31st, baptized November 2nd; parents, Hance and Rachel Miller.

Child Rebecca, born March 21st, baptized April 2nd; parents, Mathias and Maria Petersson.

Child Elizabeth, born October 3, 1756, baptized March 29th; parents, Conrad and Barbara Grey.

Child John, born December 11, 1756, baptized March 29th; parents, George and Maria Patton.

Child Sarah, born February 1st, baptized April 11th; parents; Paul and Maria Petersson.

Child Elizabeth, born December 13th, baptized April 11th; parents, Jacobus and Maria Hein.

Child Elizabeth, born March 1st, baptized April 11th; parents, Luluff and Jane Stidham.

Child Hannah, born April 4th, baptized April 14th; parents, Cornelius and Margreta Vandeveers.

Child William, born December 27, 1756, baptized April 14th; parents, John and Cathrina Jackson.

Child Margreta, born October 24, 1756, baptized April 14th; parents, Allen and Anne Robinett.

Child Rebecca, born April 20th, baptized April 23rd; parents, Peter and Rebecca Springer.

Child David, born April 17th, baptized April 24th; parents, Wm. and Margreta Almond.

Jane Peary's illegitimate child Susanna, born March 16th, baptized April 11th.

Barbara Little's illegitimate child Rebecca, born December 14, 1776, baptized April 3rd.

Child David, born November 4, 1756, baptized April 10th; parents, Zacharias and Sarah Dereckson.

Child Jane, born April 11, 1756, baptized May 4th; parents, Samuel and Eliza Reall.

Child Nils, born April 7th, baptized May 2d; parents, Nils and Maria Justis.

Child Hannah, born April 24th, baptized May 13th; parents, Joseph and Hannah Springer.

Child Isaac, born March 17th, baptized May 8th; parents, Calop and Cathrine Parkins.

Child Mary, born August, 1756, baptized May 9th; parents, David and Elizabeth Harris.

Child John Ubrich, born March 15, 1756, baptized May 9th; parents, Ulrich and Catharine Sharmiser.

Child Catharina, born October, 1755, baptized May 9th; parents, Ulrich and Catharine Sharmiser.

Child Anne, born June 9, 1756, baptized May 9th; parents, James and Margreta Maley.

Child Owen, born May 6th, baptized May 19th; parents, John and Anne Sably.

Cathrine Anderson's illegitimate son Jacob, born May 21st, baptized May 27th.

Hannah Pearce's illegitimate son Abner, born May 9, 1756, baptized May 23, 1757.

Child Sarah, born March 3d, baptized May 27, 1757; parents, James and Susanna Porlen.

Child Richard, born May, 1756, baptized May 27, 1757; parents, Will and Jane Trotter.

Child Joseph, baptized August 7th; parents, Joseph and Margreta Bird.

Child Paul, born May 10th, baptized August 7th; parents, John and Susanna Bauman.

Child Susanna, born February 17th, baptized June 12th; parents, Gottfried and Margreta Brown.

Child Rebecca, born August 20th, baptized September 11th; parents, Peter and Rebecca Peterson.

Child William, born July 21st, baptized September 11th; parents, Benjamin and Mary Ford.

Child Rachel, baptized September 11th; parents, Cornelius and Sarah Hein.

Child Martha, born March 2d, baptized September 11th; parents, William and Ruth Braken.

Child Anna born December 2, 1752,

Child John, born December 21, 1756,

Baptized September 29th; parents, William and Mary Montgomery.

Child Mary, born March 1st, baptized September 29th; parents, Nathaniel and Elizabeth Lewis.

Child Cathrina, born March 5th, baptized September 29th; parents, John and Anna Reinolds.

Child John, born October 20th, baptized October 21; parents, Eric and Brigits Smidth.

Child Sarah, born September 23d, baptized September 30th; parents, Reading and Elizabeth Young.

Child Lydia, born October 21st, baptized October 29th; parents, John and Elizabeth Stilley.

Child Benjnmin, born May 31, 1751,

Child John, born December 7, 1752,

Elizabeth and Rachel, born December 23, 1754,

Child Samuel, born June 15,

Baptized August 15th, 1757; parents, Henry and Anne Pearce.

Child Andrew, born May 16th, baptized August 14th; parents, George and Susanna Phisik.

Sara Pearce's illegitimate child Rachel, born November 7th, baptized December 23d.

Child Thomas, born May 1st, baptized August 13th; parents, Thomas and Mary Barlow.

Child Peter, born October 4th, baptized December 1st; parents, Swen and Cathrina Walraven.

Child Elizabeth, born August 25th, baptized November 5th; parents, Henry and Sara Webster.

Child Lydia, born July 7th, baptized August 26th; parents, William and Sara Whitehead.

ANNO 1758.

Child Anne Mary, born December, 1754, baptized January 2d; parents, Niklas and Dorothea Einfass.

Child Hannah, born May 23d, baptized January 2d; parents, Joseph and Margreta Abram.

Child Jacob, born November 13th, baptized January 2d; parents, Jesper and Mary Walraven.

Child Mary, born November 27th, baptized February 3d; parents, John and Mary Stedham.

Child Stephen, born September 4, 1757, baptized March 7th; parents, William and Ester Keeper.

Child John, born January 27th, baptized February 26th; parents, George and Margreta Loinan.

Child Joanna, born March 14th, baptized March 19th; parents, William and Johanna Vaniman.

Child Annable, born February 28th, baptized March 24th; parents, James and Catharine McDonald.

Child Sarah, born 1757, baptized March 27th; parents, Peter and Anne Agnew.

Child Ezekiel, born June 7, 1757, baptized March 24th; parents, John and Elizabeth Rees.

Child Rachel, born January 1st, baptized March 24th; parents, Charles and Mary Springer.

Child Henry, born February 20th, baptized March 1st; parents, Henry and Ann Sinie.

Child Matthias, born October 21, 1757, baptized March 26th; parent, Thomas Morton.

Child Margretta, born November 16th, 1757; parents, Richard and Mary Clark.

Child Lydia, born February 4th, baptized May 1st; parents, Allen and Anne Robinette.

Child Peter, born January 21, 1757, baptized May 3d; parents, Peter and Susanna Slalcop.

Child John, born April 17th, baptized May 4th; parents, Jesper and —— Justis.

Child Benjamin, born January 12th, baptized May 1st; parents, John and Lydia Lazareth.

Child John, born February 16th, baptized April 30th; parents, Swen and Anna Brunberg.

Child Benjamin, born August 1, 1757, baptized May 9th; parents, William and Phœbe Broom.

Child John, born March 26th, baptized May 14th; parents Samuel and Susanna Shank.

Child John Henry, born December 24, 1757, baptized May 14th; parents, John and Cathrina Naff.

Child Mary, born November 26, 1757, baptized May 10th; parents, Hans and Mary Neighbucher.

Child Christopher, born April 5th, baptized May 28th; parents, Christopher and Barbara Kraut.

Child Jacob, born March 14th, baptized June 4th; parents, Jacob and Barbara Kriegen.

Child Sarah, born April 27th, baptized June 27th; parents, Thomas and Elizabeth Bowles.

Child Hance Caster Christian, born September 29th, baptized June 18th; parents, Hance and Margreta Heilbrumer.

Child Alexander, born March 15th, baptized June 29th; parents, Joseph and Margreta Thornton.

Child Anna, born June 4th, baptized June 16th; parents, Solomon and Margreta Springer.

Child James, born July 29th, baptized November, parents, Moses and Martha Burns.

Child ——born August 2, 1757, baptized August 12, 1758, parents, Balzar and Margreta Stills.

Child Anna, born July 23rd, baptized August 20th; parents, John and Anna Sininks.

Child Jonathan, born June 15, 1756, baptized September 17th; parents Jonathan and Jane Kirk.

Child Jacob, born July 29th, baptized September, parents Jacob and Maria Anderson.

Child Anna, born June 17th, baptized July 23rd; parents, Wm. and Jane McDowel.

Child Ellenor, born December 4, 1757, baptized March 6th, parents, Christopher and Ellenor Hendrickson.

Child Rebecca, born October 7th, baptized November 7th; parents, John and Lydia Bird.

Child John Fredrick, born December 2nd, baptized December 11th; parents, Nicklas and Dorothea Donnelfass.

Child John, born October 11th, baptized October 23rd; parents, Thomas and Elizabeth Moore.

Child Rudolph, born October 9th, baptized November 12th; parents, Wicklan and Cathrina Guschys.

ANNO 1759.

Child William, born January 3rd, baptiezd February 11th; parents, Tobias and Jane Vandevars.

Child Christina, born February 12th, baptized February 25th, parents, Matthias and Maria Peterson.

Child Susanna, born February 14th, baptized March 8th; parents, Paul and Barbara Hausman.

Child Friedrich, born October 10th, baptized March 18th; parents, Peter and Cathrina Pile.

Child Margaretha, born March 25th, baptized April 1st; parents, Peter and Brigita Vandevar.

Child Hannah, born October 22nd, baptized May 9th; parents, Joseph and Margreta Bird.

Child Isaac, born May 11th, baptized May 11th; parents Gustav and Sarah Wallraven.

Child Susanna, born April 19th, baptized May 22nd; parents, Jonas and Maria Stidham.

Child David, born March 12th, baptized May 22nd; parents, Benjamin and Rebecca Ford.

Child Jesper, born December 7, 1758, baptized May 6th; parents, John and Margaretha Pear.

Child Peter, born January 11th, baptized May 6th; parents, Jacob and Catharine Stadys.

Child William, born April 4th, baptized June 5th; parents, Wm. and Maria Montgommery,

Child John, born June 2nd, baptized June 6th; parents, Robert and Elizabeth Peare.

Child Anna, born July, 1758, baptized June 6th; parents, Moses and Martha White.

Child Joseph, born March 29th, baptized June 17th; parents, Zacharias and Sarah Derrickson.

Mara Magdalena Damarin's illegitimate child John Frederick, born April 1st, baptized June 17th.

Child David, born March 17, 1753, baptized June 8th; parents, Lascelly and Margaretha Johnson.

Child Jonathan, born March 1, 1758, baptized June 8th; parents, Lascelly and Margaretha Johnson.

Child Maria, born June 14th, baptized July 8th; parents, Morton and Sarah Morten,

Child Anna, born November 1, 1768, baptized July 15th; parents, Abraham and Catharina Davis.

Child Catharina, born November 15, 1758, baptized July 15th; parents, Joseph and Guine Pearce,

Child Hannah, born May 17th, baptized July 15th; parents, Levi and Mary Pearce.

Child Maria, born June 14th, baptized July 15th; parents, Magnus and Elenora Justice.

Child Elizabeth, born April 12th, baptized August 12th; parents, Ernst and Sabina Jacobi.

Child Hanna, born September 4th, baptized September 27th; parents, Wilhelm and Sara Whitehead.

Child Anna, born August 29th, baptized October 7th; parents, John and Elizabeth Stilley.

Child Anders, born September 16th, baptized October 7th; parents, Tobias and Margretha Paulson.

Child William, born October 14, 1757, baptized October 7th, parents, Peter and Helena Monson.

Child Joseph, born July 20th, baptized October 21st; parents, Joseph and Margretha Abram.

Child Thomas, born September 22d, baptized November 2d; parents, Thomas and Brigitta Bird.

Child Robert, born July 21st, baptized November 5th; parents, George and Maria Elliott.

Child Anna, born July 21st, baptized December 17th; parents, Conrad and Barbara Gray.

Child Anna, born October 26th, baptized December 17th; parents, John and Maria Newbeeker.

Child Amos, born September 9th, baptized November 4th; parents, William and Susanna Sharpley.

Child John, born December 4th, baptized December 14th; parents, Cornelius and —— Heins.

ANNO 1760.

Child Anna, born December 21, 1759, baptized January 27th; parents, Jonas and Maria Walraven.

Child Johan Gottfried Michael, born February 3d, baptized February 10th; parents, Nicklas Daniel and Dorothea Foss.

Child Jonas, born February 2d, baptized February 11th; parents, Anders and Dorothea Justis.

Child Jesse, born January 23d, baptized February 17th, parents, Jonas and Catharina Walraven.

Child Maria, born February 16th, baptized March 10th, parents, Nils and Maria Justis.

Child Daniel, born November 19th, baptized March 11th, parents, John and Maria Stedham.

Child Rebecka, born October 1, 1759, baptized March 2d, parents, Cornelius and Maria Evanson Duskill.

Child Lydia, born January 30th, baptized March 16th, parents, Swen and Catharina Walraven.

Catharina Poor's illegitimate child Maria, born November 20, 1758, baptized March 16th.

Child Maria, born October 29th, baptized March 26th, parents, John and Else Cain.

Child Maria, born October 2, 1759, baptized April 6th, parents, Thomas and Sarah Morton.

Child John William, born March 15th, baptized April 7th, parents, Wm. and Maria Roberts.

Child Hannah, born March 12th, baptized April 11th, parents, Peter and Christina Springer.

Child Peter, born September 3, 1759, baptized April 23d, parents, Israel and Maria Classon.

Child Maria, born February 13th, baptized April 27, parents, Benjamin and Maria Enock.

Child Susanna, born December 1, 1759, baptized April 29th, parents, Conrad and Maria Garrison.

Child Rebecca, born —— baptized May 7th, parents Wm. and —— McCoy.

Child Maria, born August 6, 1759, baptized May 8th, parents, Zacharias and Elizabeth Hindrickson.

Child Jane, born March 30th, baptized May 9th, parents, Lasselley and Margretha Johnson.

Child Joseph, born November 2, 1759, baptized May 9, parents, James and Maria Bartley.

Child Sarah, born November 22d, baptized May 9th, parents, Samuel and Anna Floyd.

Child John, born February 12th, baptized May 9th, parents, Eliah and Hannah Richie.

Child Benjamin, born March 26th, baptized May 9th; parents, Wm. and Susanna Stidham.

Child William, born September 19th, baptized May 9th, parents, James and Maria McKeaver.

Child Paul, born January 3d, baptized May 10, parents, Hans and Margretha Heilbrunner.

Child Hanna, born January 27th, baptized May 10th, parents, Mark and Jane Elliott.

Child Elizabeth, born October 3, 1755,

Child Maria, born January 23, 1758,

Baptized May 10th, parents, John and Barbara Almond.

Child Maria, born February 9th, baptized April 23d, parents, Wm. and Phoebe Broom.

Child Thomas, born March 4th, baptized May 13th; parents, Wm. and Elizabeth Cartmill.

Child Maria, born May 22nd, baptized June 1st; parents, John and Darkeys Baal.

Child Edward, born May 11th, baptized June 7th; parents, John and Cloe Elliott.

Child Rebecca, born——baptized June 8th; parents, Samuel and Magdelena Cleanny.

Child Hans Peter, born September 2nd, baptized January 8th; parents, Michael and Maria Schwartz.

Child Maria, born May 17th, baptized June 8th; parents, Albrecht and Maria Margaretha Yurgon.

Child Valentin, born February 15th, baptized June 8th; parents, Johan Valentin and Anna Maria Huhlman.

Child William, born July 3rd, baptized July 13th; parents, Wm. and Johanna Vanneaman.

Child Hugh, born December 11, 1759, baptized July 13th; parents, Arthur and Maria Murphey.

RECORD OF THE CHILDREN BAPTIZED BY ANDREW BORRELL.

ANNO 1760.

Anna, born June 16th, baptized July 20th; parents, Swen and Maria Justice.

Thomas, born July 6th, baptized August 3rd; parents, William and Elizabeth Philips.

Lydia, born August 5th, baptized August 17th; parents, Charles and Margreta Springer.

Rachel, born July 16th, baptized August 17th; parents, Eric and Susanna Anderson.

Jonas, born August 3rd, baptized August 17th; parents, Charles and Mary Robinson.

Jehu, born September 12th, baptized October 9th; parents, Solomon and Margreta Springer.

Hans George, born October 1st, baptized October 23rd; parents, Jacob and Barbro Craak.

Hanna, born July 13th, baptized October 5th; parents, Richard and Anna Justisson.

Maria, born June 11th, baptized November 4th; parents, John and Anna Senex.

Anna Eva, born October 13th, baptized October 9th; parents Michael and Barbro Matsher.

Johan Niclas, born October 15th, baptized November 16th; parents, John Niclas and Cathrina Bushi.

Anna, born November 9th, baptized November 16th; parents, Peter and Obiah Peterson.

Rachel, born October 29th, baptized December 15th; parents, Jacob and Nancy Stilley.

John, born September 17th, baptized December 7th; parents, Andrew and Cathrina Busheon.

ANNO 1761.

Eleonora, born January 6th, baptized January 12th; parents, Robert and Eleonora Robinson.

John, born February 2nd, baptized February 23rd; parents, John and Debora Ahlmond.

Cathrina, born February 9th, baptized February 25th; parents, Anders and Cathrina Stilley.

Sarah, born May 13, 1757, baptized at St. James,

Moses, born July 14, 1760, baptized at St. James, February 25th; parents, Henry and——Braehen.

Maria, born September 15, 1760, baptized February 25th; parents, Henry and Maria Bishop.

William, born November 12, 1753, baptized March 14th; parents, Walter and Maria Patterson.

Elizabeth, born February 2nd, baptized March 21st; parents, Jesper and Maria Walraven.

Samuel, born February 24th, baptized March 23rd; parents, Robert and Anna Johns.

Peter, illegitimate, born December 7, 1759, baptized March 25th; parents, Harry Gorden and Hannah.

Jehu, born February 25th, baptized March 29th; parents, Matthias and Maria Peterson.

Anna, born March 14th, baptized April 12th; parents, Henry Senex and his wife.

Hannah, born January 10, 1760, baptized April 19th ; parents, Samuel and Anna Strand.

Sarah, born September 29, 1760, baptized April 19th; parents, Peter and Margret Brunberg.

Maria, born April 6th, baptized April 19th ; parents, John and Barbro Gaffin.

Lewis, baptized in Penn's Neck.

William, born July 23, 1760, baptized April 26th ; parents, Dahaghty and Rebeccah Allen.

Sarah, born August 10, 1760, baptized May 9th ; parents, Richard and Elizabeth McManneman.

Elizabeth, born April 7th, baptized May 10th ; parents, Philip and Sabina Sleifer.

Jane, born February 11th, baptized May 11th ; parents, Thomas and Maria Ahlmond,

Maria Susanna, born January 25th, baptized May 24th ; parents, Hans and Cathrina Naff.

Samuel, born April 13th, baptized May 24th ; parents, Gottfried and Anna Maria Charley.

John born April 19th, baptized May 24th ; parents, John and Barbro French.

John born April 25th, baptized May 24th ; parents, Matthias and Anna Eva Skaylor.

Anna, born August 3, 1760, baptized May 24th ; parents, Joseph and Regina Marten.

William, born March 22, 1759, baptized May 12th ; parents, Charles and Jane Galloway.

Deborah, born February 24th, baptized March 2d ; parents, George an Anna Stonmats.

George, born November 26, 1760, baptized March 2d ; parents, William and Catharina Paulson.

Kirck, born December 11, 1759, baptized June 4th ; parents, James and Jane Kirck.

Elizabeth, born June 9, 1753, baptized June 5th ; parents, Jacob and Hindrance Werth.

Susannah, born February 16th, baptized June 7th ; parents, Joseph and Mary Pierce.

Peter, born December 25, 1760, baptized June 7th; parents, Matthias and Margret Martin,

James, born November 30, 1760, baptized June 11th; parents, James and Cathrina Clark.

Sarah, born October 10, 1760, baptized June 13th; parents, Robert and Elizabeth Pierce.

Sarah, born May 23d, baptized June 21st; parents, Thomas and Martha Barnet.

John, born May 27th, baptized July 5th; parents, John and Margret Pearce.

Elizabeth, born November 30, 1753, baptized July 11th; parents, Johnathan and Jane Kirck.

Arcadia, born September 30, 1760 baptized July 29th; parents, James and Elizabeth Sennex.

Philipina, born February 16th, baptized August 2d; parents, John William and Cathrina Margreta Cob.

Margreta, born June 6th, baptized August 6th; parents, Christopher and Rachel Lind.

Petrus, born August 16th, baptized September 27th; parents, John and Maria King.

Elsa, born March 24, 1753, baptized September 27th; parents, Wallraven Paul and Magdalena Peterson.

Rachel, born January 20, 1752, baptized October 4th: parents, Jacob and Phœbe Maast.

Hannah, born August 8th, baptized October 4th; parents, Henry and Elenora Hoof.

Thomas, born September 4th, baptized October 4th; parents, Jonathan and Jane Kirck.

Petrus, born September 9th, baptized October 11th; parents, Paul and Mary Peterson.

Benjamin, born August 16th, baptized September 20th; parents, Benjamin and Margreta Bird.

Richard, born May 28th, baptized October 17th; parents, William and Rachel Runnels.

Jemyme, born September 12th, baptized November 1st; parents, William and Susannah Sharpley.

Susannah, born October 11th, baptized November 15th; parents, Anders and Margreta Paulson.

John, born October 19th, baptized November 22d; parents, John and Elizabeth Stilley.

Israel, born October 24th, baptized November 26th; parents, William and Maria Aston.

Nanny, born October 23d, baptized November 29th; parents, Caleb and Nanny Parkins.

Maria, born October 22, baptized December 6th; parents, Michael and Brigitta Mardock.

Jesse, born October 26th, baptized December 6th; parents, Peter and Catharine Springer.

Rebeccah, born December 16th, baptized December 20th; parents, Andrew and Annah Vaneman.

William, born October 23, baptized December 26th; parents, William and Sarah Whithead.

David, born December 22d, baptized December 29th; parents, James and Jane Kirck.

Orphey, born September 25th, baptized December 29th; parents, —— Houseman.

ANNO 1762.

Robert, born October 13, 1753, baptized January 7th,

Cathrine, born May 14, 1761, baptized January 7th,

Parents, Frederick and Margrete Smidth.

William and Maria, born November 1, 1761, baptized January 28th; parents, John and Cathrina Cann.

Elizabeth, born January 17th, baptized January 20, parents, John and Elenora Garritson.

Rachel, born April 1, 1760, baptized January 20, parents, Thomas and Annah Adams.

Cathrine, born December 7, 1761, baptized January 4th, parents, Magnus and Elenore JustisJun.

Ephron, born November 14, 1761, baptized February 2, parents, Jonathan and Magdalena Stilley.

Uriel, born December 25, 1761, baptized February 2d, parents, Jacob and Nancy Stilly.

At St. James', Elenora, born September 19, 1761, bapti ed February 24th, parents, John and Anna Mardock.

At St. James', Prudence, born Septemebr 19, 1761, baptied February 24th, parents, John and Anna Mardock.

Eleonora, born November 4, 1761, baptized February 24th; parents, Edward and Briggitta McBride.

At St. James', Harris, born October 4, 1761, baptized February 25, parents, Hannah and Harris Gordon.

At St. James', Andrew Gravenrat, born February 13th, baptised March 20, Jacob and Cathrine Colesberry.

Annah, born January 24th, baptized March 14th, parents, John and Beata Hendrickson.

Rebeccah, born December 29, 1761, baptized March 25th, parents, Henry and Rebeccah Spencer.

Margrete, born May 19th, baptized March 25th; parents, John and Mary Powel.

John, born March 13th, baptized March 25th; parents, Tobias and Jane Vandevar.

Charles, born March 12, 1761, baptized March 26th; parents, Peter and Eleonore Paulson.

George, born December 14, 1761, baptized March 29th; parents, Hans and Mary Nebukar.

David, born December 14, 1761, baptized April 4th; parents, Benjamin and Mary Enoch.

John, illegitimate, born April 9th, baptized April 10th; father, John Divant, mother, Magdalena Divant.

Rachel, born January 23d, baptized April 12th, parents, Thomas and Brita Bird.

Sarah, born January 12th, baptized April 12th, parents, John and Mary Stedham.

William, born February 20th, baptized April 12th, parents, Niclas and Cathrine Bush.

Elizabeth, born July 3, 1755, baptized April 19th,
Cathrine, born September 16, 1757, baptized April 19th,
George, born March 20, 1761, baptized April 19th,
These three children, their parents and T. Michael and Sarah King.

Israel, born March 13th, baptized April 20th, parents, John and Jane Stahlkop.

Annah, illegitimate, born September 13, 1757, baptized December 20th, parents, James Robettson, Elizabeth Rannels.

Jacob, illegitimate, born December 20, 1761, baptized April 20th, parents, Jacob Guns, Elizabeth Rannels.

Peter, illegitimate, born August 10, 1761, baptized April 20th, parents, Christopher and Maria Barbara Croud.

John, born March 20th, baptized May 2d, parents, Peter and Obiah Peterson.

Charles, born April 20th, baptized May 3d, parents, Swen and Mary Justis.

Rebeccah, born December 13, 1761, baptized May 3d, parents, Jonas and Mary Walraven.

Peter, born March 4th, baptized May 3d, parents, Henry and Mary Garritson.

Joseph, born April 6th, baptized May 3d, parents, James and Susanna Enos.

Lydia, born December 29, 1760, baptized May 3d, parents, Samuel and Sarah Reall.

Eli, born December 2, 1761, baptized May 10th, parents, Eric and Brita Anderson.

James, born March 17th, baptized May 10th, parents, Isaac and Sarah Smidt.

Elizabeth, born March 1st, baptized May 22d, parents, Joseph and Hannah Pawl.

George, born February 3d, baptized May 23d, parents, Michael and Maria Swartz.

Maria Barbro, born October 15, 1761, baptized May 23d, parents, Albrecht and Margret Geruch.

John, born August 7, 1761, baptized June 20th, parents, —— ——.

Mary, born April 26th, baptized June 21st, parents, —— ——.

Andrew, born June 5th, baptized June 2d, parents, Neils and Mary Justis.

Isaac, born July 12th, baptized August 2d, parents, Jonas and Mary Stedham.

John, born April 4th, baptized August 23d, parents, —— ——.

Eli, born July 30th, baptized September 5th, parents, John and Mary Hendrickson.

William, born August 14th, baptized September 3rd, parents, William and Elenore Kleandenny.

Cathrine, born February 7, 1752, baptized September 11th, parents, James and Elizabeth Hinsel.

Peter, born August 14th, baptized September 16th, parents, Peter and Sarah Stidham.

John, born January 14th, baptized September 23th, parents, John and Margrete Culwell.

Benjaman, born July 14th, baptized October 11th, parents, Cornelius and Margret Vandevar.

John, born January 16th, baptized October 17th, parents, Moses and Catharine Kallom.

Sarah, born April April 27th, baptized November 4th, parents, John and Susannah Springer.

Henry, born May 10th, baptized November 4th, parents, Jacob and Susannah Stedham.

Annah Eva, born February 24th, baptized November 4th. parents, Niclas and Dorotha Foss.

Rebeccah, born October 4th, baptized November 5th, parents, Joseph and Regina Morten.

Philip, born September 22d, baptized November 5th, parents, John and Sarah Dimond.

*Ingeborg, born October 22d, baptized November 22d, parents, John and Annah Senex.

Margrete, born August 15th, baptized December 13th, parents, William and Margrete Moore.

Elizabeth, born June 1, 1761, baptized December 13th, parents, John Bishop and wife.

Catharine, born August 23th, baptized September 26th, parents, Charles and Margrete Springer.

Sarah, born August 12th, baptized September 26th, parents, Peter and BrigittaV andevar.

ANNO 1763.

Elizabeth, born January 19, 1761, baptized January 14th, parents, James and Ester Brown.

Hannah, born November, 1762, baptized January 15th, parents, John and Elizabeth Stilley.

Mary, born December 24th, 1762, baptized January 25th, parents, Samuel and Mary Cleaney.

William, born October 9th, 1762, baptized January 30th, parents, William and Barbarah Hall.

Sarah, born December 7, 1762, baptized February 1, parents, Eric and Susannah Anderson.

Lydia, born December 23d, 1762, baptized February 1st, parents, Mathias and Mary Peterson.

Annah Mary, born January 10th, baptized February 9th, parents, John and Sarah Bird.

Susannah, born February 14th, baptized February 15th, parents, William and Susannah Stedham.

Robert, born February 12th, baptized February 14th, parents, Robert and Annah Jones.

Mary illegitimate, born August 26th, 1762, baptized March 1st, parents, William Parker and Elizabeth Taylor,

Mary, born September 15th, 1762, baptized April 4th. parents, Louis and Jane Curlet.

Thomas, born, March 12th, baptized April 10th, parents, Robert and Sarah Robinson.

Elizabeth, born January 15th, baptized April 21st, parents, Arthur and Mary Cunningham.

Zacharias, born March 11th, baptized ——, parents, Zacharias Elizabeth Derrickson.

Barbarah, born October 12, 1762, baptized April 4th, parents, Michael and Barbarah Mather.

Elizabeth, born February 12th, baptized April 24th; parents, James and Martha Anderson.

Isaac, born March 3rd, baptized May 14th, parents, Joseph and Margrete Abrahams.

Mary, born February 17th, baptized May 4th; parents, Jacob and Mary Anderson.

Sarah, born March 27th, baptized May 9th, parents, Jesper and Mary Walraven.

Alexander, born February 19th, baptized May 9th, parents, George and Mary Elliott.

Timothy, born November 24th, baptized May 15th, parents, Timothy and Lydia Pierce.

Thomas, born February 22nd, baptized May 31st, parents, Jacob and Mary Welch.

Susannah, born Febiuary 24th, baptized May 15th, parents, Wm. and Susannah Sharpley.

Sarah, born May 9th, baptized May 31st, parents, Jesper and Cathrine Baat.

George, born November 6, 1762, baptized May 15th, parents, Joseph and Hannah Pierce.

Barbarah, born September 4, 1762, bapti ed June 5th, parents, Simon and Mary Carlin.

Elizabeth, born June 4th, baptized June 19th, parents, Mathias and Annah Skyler.

Sarah, born March 6th, baptized May 1st, parents, John and Elizabeth Thomelsson.

Barbarah Annah, born March 10th, baptized May 2nd, parents, Israel and Mary Claeson.

Rebecca, born May 13th, baptized July 10th, parents, John and Mary Stedham.

Elizabeth, born May 16th, baptized August 9th, parents, John and Lucia Marshall.

John, born June 30th, baptized September 3rd, parents, Daniel and Margaret Kildee.

Hannah and Thomson, born May 30th, baptized September 12th, parents, Isaac and Elizabeth Bush.

Mary, born September 10th, baptized September 11th, parents, Wm. and Hannah Beats.

John, born June 24th, baptized July 21st, parents, John and Margrete McGenny.

Susannah, born June 16th, baptized July 21st, parents, Richard and Elizabeth McManaMan.

Easter, born July 14th, baptized August 27st, parents, Peter and Obadiah Petersson.

Regina, born February 13th, baptzied August 29th, parents, Jonas and Mary Petersson.

Keark, born April 27th, baptized September 15th, parents, James and Jane Keark.

Thomas, born June——, baptized September ——, parents, Wm. and Hannah Balden.

John, born September 24th, baptized October 10th, parents, Wm. and Rachel Cook.

Peter, born September 29th, baptized October 9th, parents, Wm. and Margreta Stahlkop.

Margrete, born August 21st, baptized October 2nd, parents, John and Margrete Pierce,

John and Dorothea, born June 27, baptized October 20th, parents, Joannes and Anne Sabley.

Rebecca, born September 4th, baptized October 2d; parents, Abraham and Lydy Rose.

Lydia, born October 2d, baptized November 5th; parents, Peter and Cathrine Springer.

Margrete, born June 12, 1762, baptized July 22d, parents, James and Elizabeth Senex Jun.

Jacob, born September 19th, baptized October 13th, parents, Simon and Sophia Everlay.

William, born September 19th, baptized November 22d, parents, Tully and Jane Davitt.

Annah, born October 30th, baptized December 27th, parents, Benjamin and Margrete Ford.

James, born August 8th, baptized October 19, parents, Harry and Hannah Gordon.

ANNO 1764.

Sarah, born April 6, 1763, baptized January 1st, parents, Arthur and Jane Orr.

Cathrine, born September 26, 1763, baptized January 29th, parents, Caleb and Cathrine Perkins,

Annah, born March 3, 1763, baptized January——parents, Wm. and Rachel Reynolds

John, illegitimate, born November 19th, baptized January 3d, parents, John Bennet and Susanna Vandever.

Hezekiah, born January 24th, baptized January 29th, parents, Andreas and Sarah Peterson.

Uriah, born June 13, 1757,

David, born June 6, 1760,

Solomon, born June 6, 1763,

Baptized June 23rd, parents, Uriah and Mary Blew.

Susannah, born December 13, 1763, baptized January 2d, parents, Jonathan and Mary Hulings.

Rebeccah, born October 19, 1763, baptized January 26th, parents, Wm. and Sarah Whitehead.

John, illegitimate, born September 1, 1763, baptized February 12th, father, P. Richards and Mary Hitherton.

John, born January 24, 1763, baptized February 12th, parents, Philip and Mary Staats.

Henry, born September 23, 1763, baptized March 18th, parents, John and Jane Stalcop.

Andrew, born April 15, 1763, baptized May 5th, parents, Michael and Sarah King.

Joseph, born December 21, 1763, baptized May 9th, parents, John and Cathrine Weaver Valentine.

Isaac, born July 14, 1763, baptized May 10th, parents, Isaac and Sarah Smidth.

Cathrine, born December 12, 1763, baptized——parents, John and Mary Husband.

Jane, born November 23, 1760,

Cathrine, born January 16, 1763,

Baptized June 14th, parents, Cornelius and Mary Dirickson.

Margrete, born——baptized June 2, parents, James and Elizabeth Senex.

James, born January 9th, baptized June 6th; parent, Thomas and Henrietta Read.

Jonathan, born May 29th, baptized June 16th; parents, Jacob and Anne Stilley.

Andrew, born May 27th, baptized July 1st; parents, Benjamin and Mary Enoch.

John, born June 10th, baptized July 9th; parents, Henry and Susannah Wynd.

Jacob born October 2, 1739, baptized July 29th, parents, Wm. and Elizabeth Brown.

Margrete born June 27, 1762, baptized July 29th, parents, Wm. and Elizabeth Brown.

Rebeccah, born March 13th, baptized May 11th; parents, Henry and Mary Garrittson.

Mary, born January 10th, baptized July 29th; parents, James and Catharine Cavenau.

William, born June 17th, baptized August 3rd; parents Jonathan and Jane Kirk.

John born April 16th, baptized May 11th; parents, John and Eleanor Garritson.

Abner, born July 23rd, baptized August 29th; parents Swen and Mary Justis.

Benjamin, born August 23rd, baptized September 2nd; parents Tobias and Mary Wallraven.

Sarah, born January 10th, baptized February 2nd, parents, George and Mary Foy.

Gabriel, born August 28th, baptized September 2nd; parents, Neils and Mary Justis.

Abigail, born July 30th, baptized September 15th; parents, Jacob and Catharine Springer.

Thomas, born July 26th, baptized September 9th; parents, Abraham and Lydia Cox.

James, born December 1st, baptized December 15th, parents Joseph and Hannah Baal.

Mary, born August 23rd, baptized October 5th; parents, Israel and Mary Claesson.

John, born May 3rd, baptized October 5th; parents, John and Eleonora Clerk.

Sarah, born June 19, 1763, baptized October 6th; parents, Wm. and Jane Parker.

Elizabeth, illegitimate born August 1763, baptized October 8th; parents, unknown.

Elizabeth born September 17th, baptized October 13th; parents, George and Margrete Hallis.

John, born April— baptized March 4th; parents, Lewis and Jane Cornet.

Gustave, born May 4th, baptized November 5th; parents, Gustave and Isabel Corneliuson.

Cathrine, born October 3, 1763, baptized November 5th; parents, Michael and Brigetta Mardock.

Lydy, born August 3rd, baptized November 5th, parents, Elias and Barbarah Reed.

Peter, born November 1st, baptized November 7th; parent· Jacob and Barbarah Kriaek.

Mary, born March 1st, baptized November 7th; parents, Jacob and Barbarah Kriack.

Jacob and John twins, born October 23rd, baptized November 11th; parents Niclas, and Susannah Zeller.

William, born November 10th, baptized November 24th, parents, James and Martha Anderson.

Eli, born December 7th, baptized December 6th, parents, Mathias and Mary Peterson.

Charlotte, born September —baptized December 9th, parents, John and Reebccah Armstrong.

Levy, born November,——baptized December 9th, parents, Charles and Margrete Springer.

John, born November 24th, baptized December 9th, parents, John and Beata Hindrickson.

ANNO 1765.

Margrete, born December 13, 1764, baptized January 14th, parents, John and Sarah Bird.

William, born December 6, 1764, baptized January 15th, parents, John and Elizabeth Stilley.

William, born January 16th, baptized February 9th, parents, Robert and Ann Jones.

Susanna, born July 13, 1754,

Rebecca, born August 6, 1757,

Thomas, born April 2, 1759.

Baptized February 12th, parents, Thomas and Catharine Shepheard.

Tobias, born January 11th, baptized March 1st, parents, Tobias and Jane Vandevar.

David, born March 6th, baptized March 7th, parents, John and Susannah Springer.

Mary, born February 16th, baptized March 17th, parents, Jacob and Judah Hays Ross.

Margarete, born February 24th, baptized March 17th, parents, Jonas and Elizabeth Peterson.

Sarah, born December 13, 1764, baptized March 2nd, parents, Justa and Mary Justis.

Thomas, born January 5th, baptized March 3rd, parents, John and Ann Senex.

Senica, born November 29th, baptized February 28th, parents, John and Ann Senex.

George, born December 12, 1764, baptized February 28th, parents, Edward and Jamyma Cochran.

Rachel, born January 12th, baptized March 9th, parents, Thomas and Cathrine Jones.

Priscilla, born September 1, 1764, baptized March 9th, parents, Paul and Mary Peterson.

Paul, born February 8th, baptized April 12th, parents, Paul and Rebeccah Wrolston.

Rachel, born December 28th, baptized April 12th, parents, George and Mary Elliott.

Anne, born March 9th, baptized April 12th, parents, Jacob and Mary Welch.

Mary, born March 5th, baptized April 12th, parents, Richard and Lydia Pierce.

William, born February 25th, baptized April 2nd, parents, George and Margrete Cochran.

Charles, born January 29th, baptized March 28th, parents, Thomas and Elizabeth Owgle.

Cathrine, born February 14th, baptized May 10th, parents, Jacob and Susannah Stedham.

Cathrine, born February 5th, baptized May 12th, parents, Patrick and Elizabeth McClaskey.

Jane, born May 2, 1756, baptized May 14th, parents, Richard and Lydia Claesson.

James, born October, 1761, baptized May 19th, parents, John and Eleonore Morris.

Penelope, born 1745, baptized May 19th, parents, Friedrich and Rebecca Justis.

Sarah, born August 17, 1751,
Thomas, born February 21, 1760,
Anne Frances, born April 12, 1761,
Barna Cozen, born August, 1764.

Baptized May 20th, parents, Robert and Mary Dennis, belonging to St. James Church.

Elizabeth, born May 28th, parents Josiah and Brigitta Loinan Stedham.

John, born September, 1760,
Eleonore, born December 13, 1763,

Baptized May 20, parents, John and Mary Bridly,

Martin, born March 17th, baptized May 24th, parents, Hance and Mary Nabior.

Anne, born March, baptized May 27th, parents, Phillip and Sabina Sleifer.

Willian, born February 19th, baptized May 28th, parents, Robert and Else Slaytor.

Anne, born May 12, baptized June 16th, parents, Robert and Sarah Robbinson.

Elizabeth born March 25th, baptized June 23d, parents, Johnathan and Mary Redman.

Mary, born April 15th, baptized May 4th, parents, John and Mary Husband.

Joseph, born August 22d,
James, born March 5th,

Baptized August 6th, parents, George and Hester Martin.

Rebeccah, born February 23d, baptized August 3d, parents, George and Sarah Taylor.

French, born January 3d, baptized August 3d, parents, Moses and Catharine Callom.

Mary, born July 21st, baptized August 3d, parents, John and Anne Nicholson.

Elizabeth, born July 16th, baptized August 13th, parents, Andrew and Margarete Paulson.

Amor, born July 2d, baptized August 13th, parents, John and Jane Stahlkop.

Andrew Christian, born July 8th, baptized August 25th, parents, Matthias and Anne Eve Koeler.

Rebeccah, born August, 30th, baptized August 25th, parents, Hance and Cathrine Naaf.

Mary, born March 11th, baptized October 13th, parents, John and Lydia Parmer.

Benjamin, born May 3d, baptized October 13th, parents, Joseph and Margret Abrahams.

Mary, born September 15th, baptized October 13th, parents, John and Brigitta Garritson.

Catharine Magdalen, born September 4th, baptized October 13, parents, Nicholas and Dorothea Faull.

John, born October 3d, baptized October 9th, parents, John and Margaret Pierce.

Mary, born September 13th, baptized October 11th, parents, Jonas and Mary Stedham.

James, born September 13th, baptized October 19th, parents, Charles and Mary Springer.

Rebeccah, born March 25th, baptized October 19th, parents, John and Elizabeth Bishop.

Eleonore, born October 13th, baptized November 24th, parents, Cornelius and Christiana Stedham.

Isaac, born October 12th, baptized October 24th, parents, Wm. and Margrete Stahlkop.

Eli, born October 30th, baptized December 1st, parents, Magnus and Eleonor Justis.

Jesajah, born September 13th, baptized December 14th, parents, John and Mary Hendrickson.

Peter, born November 8th, baptized December 15th, parents, Wm. and Elizabeth Derickson.

Sarah, born October 14, 1764, baptized December 21st, parents, Samuel and Mary Clark.

Andrew, aorn November 26th, baptized December 21st, parents, Gottfried and Eve Charles.

Mrgrete, born May 3, 1764, baptized December 25th, parents, Arthur and Mary Cunningham.

Susannah, born December 22d, baptized December 29th, parents, Neils and Mary Justis.

Levy, born January 23rd, baptised February 24th, parents, Jonas and Cathrina Walraven.

Peter, born February 15th, baptised April 5th, parents, Eric and Susanna Anderson.

Levy, born February 13th, baptized April 14th, parents, Peter and Eleonore Paulson.

John, born October 6th, baptized April 14th, parents, Joseph and Mary Pierce.

Karon Habits, born December 3rd, baptized April 14th, parents Wm. and Susannah Sharpley.

Mary, born March 24th, baptized May 19th, parents, Peter and Brita Vandevar.

Children or Older persons, baptized by Lawrence Girelius.

ANNO 1768.

JANUARY.

Sarah, born January 4th, baptized January 11th, parents, Robt. and Else Slater.

Tom, illegitimate, born December 12, 1767, baptized January 14th, mother, Margaret Gallagher.

Peter, born ——baptised January 17th, parents, Peter Springer and . . .

FFBRUARY.

John and Jonas, born January 13th, baptized by Rev. Andrew Borell, January 8th, parents John Stidham and——

Isaac, born October 11, 1767, baptized February 4th, parents, Thomas and Cathrine Quinn.

Anne, born February 3rd, baptized February 12th, parents, Philip and Mary Schlâbs.

Jesper, born November 13, 1767, baptized February 13th, parents, Richard and Lady Peers.

Isaac, born January 21st, baptized February 19th, parents, John and Mary Hendrickson.

Thomas, born January 15th, baptized February 19th, parents, Wm. and Elizabeth Elliot.

Mary, born February 16th, baptized February 26th, parents, Martin and Helene Vandever.

Hina, born August 8th, baptized February 26th, parents, Thomas and Cathrine Johns.

MARCH.

Abraham, born February 4th, baptized 3rd, parents, Abraham and Lady Cox.

Margaret, born November 18, 1767, baptized 6th, parents, David and Agnes Louis.

Elizabeth, born September 5, 1767, baptized 13th, parents, John and Anne Haan.

William, born February 22nd, baptized 6th, parents, Joseph and Cathrine Lawson.

Mary, born September 1, 1766, baptized 14th, parents, Samuel and Mary Clark.

Helena, born December 28th, baptized 27th, parents, John and Rebeccah Armstrong.

APRIL.

Andrew, born March 16th, baptized 13th, parents, Abraham and Elizabeth Brown.

John, born February 28th, baptized 17th, parents, James and Martha Anderson.

Maria, born April 8, 1767, baptized 18th, parents, John and Magdalena Schoreberg.

MAY.

Pauline, born February 6, 1767, baptized 9th, parents, Richard and Anne Justisson.

John, born April 26th, baptized 10th, parents, Mark and Jean Elliott.

Susannah, born——parents,——

Fredrich, born November 7th, baptized 23rd, parents, Richard and Mary Derrick.

John, born April 7th, baptized 29th, parents, Wm. and Hannah Tussey.

JUNE.

Mary, born October 9,1767, baptized 11th, parents, Andrew and Margrete Paulson.

Jean, born——baptized 10th, parents, Scheirman and

Robbert, illegitimate, born May 3rd, baptized 12th, parents, ——

Anne and John, born——baptized 16th, parents,———John Welch.

Martha, born February 9th, baptized 21st, parents, Israel and Lydia Hendrickson.

Erick, born March 18th, baptized 27th, parents, James and Mary McKeever.

Mary, born January 15th, baptized 27th, parents, Patrick and Elizabeth McCloskey.

JULY.

Magdalene, born June 1st, baptized the 17th, parents, Samuel and Mary Cleney.

William, born June 8th, baptized the 31st, parents, Thomas and Sarah Morten.

Joseph, born February 10th, baptized 31st, parents, Niclas and Dorothea Vass.

AUGUST.

Mary, born September 4, 1767, baptized 5th, parents, Adam and Mary Kohl from Jersey.

John, born August 4th, baptized 7th, parents, James and Susannah Hebshir.

Jamimy, born October 28, 1767, baptized 7th, parents, Moses and Cathrine Prellam.

William, born June 13th, baptized 11th, parents, John and Sarah Fresca.

SEPTEMBER.

Sarah, illegitimate, born February 4, 1765, baptized 3rd, mother, Sarah Taylor.

Peter, born August 5th, baptized 11th, parents, John and Beata Hendrickson.

Margaret, born August 2nd, baptized 11th, parents, Caleb and Catharine Perkins.

Samuel, born February 2nd, baptized 18th, parents, Samuel and Anne Floyd.

OCTOBER.

Peter, born September 27th, baptized 4th, parents John and Mary Husband.

Margrete, born August 13th, baptized 16th, parents, Samuel and Sarah Christine.

Hannah Ford, married to Joseph Hedges, born——baptized 21st.

Phœbe Ford, her sister, born——, baptized 21st.

Benjamin, born—baptized 21st, parents, Joseph and Hannah Hedges.

Isaac and Rebecca, born——, baptized 21st, parents, Peter Vandewer Senior.

John, born June 7th, baptized 22nd, parents, Johnathan and Mary Readman.

Aaron, born 11th, baptized 24th, parents, Swen and Mary Justis.

Henry, born September 21st, baptized 24th, parents, Henry and Susannah Vining.

Susannah, born January 4, 1767, baptized 24th.

Sarah, September 7, 1768.

Parents, Henry and Mary Hiland.

Esther, born October 7th, baptized 3d, parents, James and Lady Penny.

NOVEMBER.

Susannah, born April 16th, baptized 5th, parents, Jacob and Susannah Stedham.

Jacob, born October 7th, baptized 13th, parents, Cornelius and Chistine Stidham.

James, born October 21st, baptized 28th, parents, Arthur and Lady Gool.

Lady, illegitimate, born January 13, 1766, baptised . . . parents, John Broom and Mary McKormach.

Phœbe, born October 19th baptised 28th, parents, Wm. and Agnes Broom.

DECEMBER.

William, born November 20th, baptised 8th, parents, Jacob and Ingeber Derickson.

Deborah, born November 14th, baptised 19th, parents, John and Margret Peers.

Cathrine, born January 1, 1761,

Elizabeth, born August 15, 1762,

David, born September 5, 1766,

Anne, born July 21, 1768,

Baptised 7th day September at Augustus.

ANNO 1769.

JANUARY.

John, born December 9, 1768, baptised 4th, parents, Justa and Mary Walraven.

Elizabeth, born October 28, 1768, baptised 15th, parents, John and Ann Sinnex.

Mary, born January 26th, baptised 27th, parents, Thomas and Elizabeth Almond.

FEBRUARY.

Susannah, born———baptised 19th, parents, William Derickson Zachary and . . .

William, illegitimate, born June 8, 1768, baptized February 23d, parents, Samuel Hanna and Rebecca Jamison.

MARCH.

Elias, illegitimate, born September 20th, baptised March 25th, parents, Mary Bradford and William Kellowe.

George, born ——, baptised 26th, parents, —— Hankins and ——.

William, illegitimate, born December 21, 1768, baptised 26th, parents, Elizabeth Walker and William Hemphil.

APRIL.

Solomon, illegitimate, born August 3, 1768, baptised 8th, parents, Brigitte Maly and Solomon Green.

Ally, illegitimate, born March 20th, baptised 13th, parents, Cathrine McClure and Thomas Slater.

Cathrina, born February 3d, baptised 23d, parents, Jonas and Elizabeth Peterson.

MAY.

——, born March 25th, baptised 7th, parents, Joseph Springer Christopherson and lady.

George, born March 26th, baptised 7th, parents, Gabriel and Margret Walker.

John, born April 25th, baptised 8th parents, John and Sarah Bird.

Sarah, born September 26, 1767, baptised 8th, parents, Nicholas and Margret Moore.

John and Elizabeth, born March 28, 1768, baptised 9th, parents, John and Elizabeth Stilly.

Mary, born April 2d, baptised 10th, parents, Matthias and Mary Peterson.

Henry, born February 17th, baptised 12th, parents, Henry and Mary Garritson.

Sarah, born January 8th, baptised 12th, parents, Jonas and Mary Wallraven.

Sarah, born October 7, 1768, baptised 12th, parents, Samuel and Ann Roeen.

Elizabeth, born February 17th, baptised 12th, parents, Laughly and Sarah Michnell.

Magdalena, born ——, baptised 14th, parents, Edward and Susannah Parsety.

JUNE.

David, born —— baptised 18th, parents, John Stedham and ——.

AUGUST.

Christina Maria, born July 12th, baptised 13th, parents, Matthias and Ann Keller.

Mary, born ——, baptised 17th, parents, —— Willson.

George, born August 12th, baptised 24th, parents, Joseph and Cathrina Lawson.

——, born —— 25th, parents, David and Susanna Tregon.

SEPTEMBER.

Sibilla, born April 12th, baptised 17th, parents, Philip and Sabina Sleifer.

James, born August 9th, baptised 23, parents, Thomas and Cathrine Queen.

OCTOBER.

Helena, born April 31st, baptised 14th, parents, John and Jeane Maneily Shay.

Mary Magdalene, born November 27,1768, baptised 18th.parents, Henry and Magdalene Mitz.

Ruth, born ——, baptised 19th, parents, —— Almond.

Francis, born July 13, 1768, baptised November 26th, parents, Henry and Jeane Brahin.

John, born . . baptised 31st, parents, Presbyterians, and gave no names to me.

NOVEMBER.

John born January 5th, baptised 4th, parents, Thomas and Hannah Reed.

John born August 25th, baptised 6th, parents, Jonathan and Jeane Kirk.

William, born October 12th, baptised 15th, parents, William Elliott.

Christina, born . . , baptised 19th, parents, Richard Derrick and . . . ,

DECEMBER.

Margret, born November 27th, baptised 3rd, parents, Andrew and Ann Vanneaman.

Benjamin, born October 26th, baptised 10th, parents, Andrew and Sarah Peterson.

Mary, born . . , baptised 17th, parents, Peter Springer.

Ann born . . , baptised 17th, parents, Charles Springer Josephson and . . ,

Elisabeth, . . ,born baptised 17th, parents, . . ,Elliot.

Hannah Few, 17 years old, baptized 10th.

Isaac born November 19th, baptised 18th, parents, James and Elizabeth Sennex.

Samuel born March 31st, baptised 23rd, parents, Wm. and Mary Ashtin.

Joseph, born . . ,baptised 26th, parents, Francis Day and . . ,

ANNO 1770.

JANUARY.

Fredrick born November 26, 1769, baptised 14th, parents, Wm. Tussey Jr. and Hannah.

FEBRUARY.

Jodiah, born . . , baptised 20th, parents, Christopher and Helena Hendrickson.

William, born December 28, 1769, baptised 3rd, parents, John and Brita Lansale.

Lady, [illegitimate] born October 23, 1769, baptised 7th,

MARCH.

Priscilla, born November 23, 1769, baptised 4th, parents, David and Agnes Louis.

Sarah, born . . ,baptised 25th, parents, . . ,

William, born . . , baptised 22nd, parents, . . .

MAY.

Reese, born March 21st, baptised 6th, parents, Charles and Mary Springer.

Hannah, born April, 7th, baptised 20th, parents, John and Ann Sennex.

Ann, born——, baptised 30th, parents Shierman and. . . ,

Joshua born——, baptised 30th, parents, ——

JUNE.

Debora, born February 20th, baptised 4th, parents, Tobias and Margret Paulson.

Robert, born March 6th, baptised 4th, parents, John and Rebecca Armstrong.

Margret, born February 7, 1769, baptised 9th, parents, Wm. and Mary Glea.

Sarah Robbeson between 20 and 30 years old, baptised the 12th.

Thomas, born February 20th, baptised 17, parents, Thomas and Catharine Jones.

JULY.

Rachel, born July 8th, baptised 26th, parents, Jonas and Mary Stedham.

Elizabeth, born June 20th, baptised 29th, parents, Joseph and Hannah Hedge.

Sarah, born —— —, baptised 29, parents, Wm. and Susannah Sharpley.

William, born ———, baptised 29, parent, Joseph Pearce.

AUGUST.

Mary, born September 23, 1769, baptised 1st, parents, James and Agnes Steelman.

Barnaba, born July 19, 1769, baptised 7th, parents, Carl and Sarah Etheridge.

Hannah, born August 31, 1768, baptised 19th, parents, Henry and Sarah Webster.

Catharine, born August 14th, baptised 26th, parents, Wm. and Rachel Sharpley.

Rebecca, born ———, baptised 26th, parents Justa Justis and

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SEPTEMBER.

Ruth, illegitimate, born April, baptized 19th, parents, Hannah Hughs and Johnathan Readman.

Arthur, born August 23d, baptized 21st, parents, Wm. and Hannah Best.

Margret, born December, 31, 1769, baptized 26th, parents, Jacob and Cathrine Springer.

John, born July 28, 1769, baptized 26th, parents, John and Ann Haan.

OCTOBER.

Ann, born July 22, 1769, baptized 7th, parents, Richard and Ann Justisson.

Caleb, born ——, baptized 7th, parents, Caleb Parkins and ——

George, born August 25th, baptized 10th, parents, Henry Vining and Susannah.

John, born August 21st, baptized 10th, parents, Henry and Mary Hiland.

William, born September 12th, baptized 14th, parents, David and Susanna Tryon.

William and Thomas, born September 29th, baptized 15th, parents, John Foudrey and ——.

Joseph, born October 8th, baptized 21st, parents, Joseph and Susanna Johnson.

Catharine, born ——, baptised 28th, parents, George and Rebecca Righter.

William, born October 16th, baptised 28th, parents, John and Mary Harrison.

Rebecca, born November 18th, baptised 29th, parents, Cornelius and Christina Stedham.

NOVEMBER.

Baptised a sick child called Winny, belonging to —— Lenard.

DECEMBER.

Ruth, born ——, baptised 10th, parents, ——.

Joseph, born October 13th, baptised 15th, parents, John and Ann Lynam.

Beata, born ——, baptised 26th, parents, Wm. Bird and——

ANNO 1771.

JANUARY.

Mary, born December 24, 1770, baptised January——parents, Israel and Susanna Peterson.

FEBRUARY.

Johnathan, born December 23, 1770, baptised February 24th, parents, John and Cathrine Johnson.

MARCH.

John born——baptised March———parents, Andrew Lynam.

Jeane, born February 23rd, baptised 24th, parents, John and Jeane Hawkins.

Jonas, born February 10th, baptised 24th, parents, Cornelius and Christiana Stedham.

Thomas, born January 2d, baptised 27th, parents, John and Jeane Quinn.

APRIL.

Christopher, born——baptised April 6th, parents, John Swing and

Mary, born October 20, 1770, baptised 7th, parents, Arthur and Leady Foot.

Mary, born March 11th, baptised 7th, parents, Wm. and Rebecca Derickson.

Mary, born March 11th, baptised 28th, parents, Swen and Mary Justis.

John, born April 18th, baptised 28th, parents, Jonas and Elenor Walraven.

MAY.

Rebecca, born——baptised 5th, parents, Wm. Tussy Jr. and . . .

Margaret, born——baptised 5th, parents, Wm. Elliott and . .

George, born January 18th, baptised 10th, parents, Henry and Sarah Webster.

Mary, born February 21, 1770, baptised 20th, parents, Benjamin and Margret Ford.

Mary, born——baptised 26th, parents, John Sperey.

JUNE.

Alexander, born March 17th, baptised 2d, parents, Thomas and Ann Sanford.

Elizabeth, born March 15th, baptised 3rd parents, John and Isabella Lynch.

JULY.

Andrew, born July 17, baptised 14th, parents, Cornelius and Elisabeth Heins.

Mary and William, born . . . , baptised 28th, parents, Henry Heins and . . . ,

John, born June 26th, baptised 28th, parents, Jonas Peterson and Elizabeth.

AUGUST.

Hannah, born June 20th, baptised 4th, John Hindrickson and . . . .

Morton, born August 6th, baptised 7th, parents, Justa Walraven and . . . .

Jonas, born . . . , baptised 11th, parents, Walraven.

Cathrine, born . . . , baptised 18th, parents, Jacob Derickson and Ingeber.

Elizabeth, born . . . , baptised 22d, parents, ...

James, born July 12th, baptised 25th, parents, Peter and Elizabeth Paulson.

Sarah, born . . . , baptised 25th, parents . . . Webster and . . . .

SEPTEMBER.

William, born, June 23d, baptised 2d, parents, John and Cathrine Stedham.

Mary, born July 13th, baptised 21st, parents, Thomas and Elizabeth Kane.

Cathrine, born August 2nd, baptised 22nd, parents, Joseph Springer Christopherson and Leady.

Mary, born September 12th, baptised 22nd, parents, Joseph and Mary Elliott.

OCTOBER.

Ann, born September 19th, bastised 13th, parents, Andrew and Elizabeth Peterson.

. . . born September 19th, baptised 13th, parents, Charles Springer and ———,

NOVEMBER.

Ann, born June 15th, baptised 17th, parents, George and Mary Warner.

Morton, born December 29th, baptised 3rd, parents, Mathias and Mary Peterson.

DECEMBER.

Sarah, born November 14th, baptised 15th, parents, Andrew and Sarah Peterson.

William, born September 10, 1770, baptised 22nd, parents, Joseph and Hannah Ball.

ANNO 1772.

JANUARY.

Rebecca, born January 20, 1770, baptised——, parents, Jacob and Ingebor Derrickson.

Wm. Henry, born December 16, 1769, baptised 15th, parents Henry and Hannah McEntor.

Joseph, born ——, baptised 27th, parents, Charles Springer Josephson and Margret.

FFBRUARY.

Cathrine, born December 6, 1771, baptised 19th, parents, Peter and Cathrine Springer.

William, born February 3, 1769, baptised 22nd, parents, Samuel and Martha Dixon.

David, born September 22, 1771, baptised 22nd, parents, Samuel and Martha Dixon.

William, born November 22, 1671, baptised 22nd, parents, Richard and Mary Derrick.

Gabriel, born December 12, 1771, baptised 29th, parents, Gabriel and Margret Walker.

MARCH.

Henry, born ——, baptised 5th, parents, Henry and Hannah McEntor.

Johnathan, born October 20, 1771, baptised 8th, parents, John and Margret Pearce.

APRIL.

Mary, born . . . baptised 5th, parents, . . .

Mary, born March 17th, baptised 18th, parents, David and Susannah Tryon.

MAY.

Deborah, born . . . baptised 10th, parents, Wm. Derrickson Zachary.

Mary, baptised May 10th, parents Wright
Joseph, baptised May 10th, parents Joseph Lawson.
Rachael, baptised May 10th, parents. Peter Vandever.

JUNE.

Jacob, born ——, baptised 7, parents, William Derrickson, Jr and Rebecca.
William Sharpley, born February 27, 1749.
Mary Sharpley, born ——,
Lea Sharpley, born ——,
Rachel Sharpley, born, ——,
Daniel Sharpley, born ——,
Danley Sharpley, born ——.
Baptised 4th, parents, Daniel Sharpley, Sr.
Rebecca, born May, baptised 14th, William and Isabella Sharpley.
John, born 16th, baptized 25th, parents, Timothy and Johanna Kogg.

JULY.

Margret, born ——, baptised 15th, parents, John and Ann Armstrong.
Peter, born ——, baptised 2d, parents, Jonas and Gwin Matson.

AUGUST.

Margret, born ——, baptised 3d, parents, —— Broom.
Margret, born ——, baptised 16th, parents, —— Taylor.
Lukas, born May 16th, baptised 19th, parents, Lukas and Mary Neubeuker.
Thomas, born September 20, 1771, baptised 22d, parents, Thomas and Catharine Gwin.
——, born ——, baptised 23d, parents at New Port.

SEPTEMBER.

Elizabeth, born September 13, 1771, baptised 1st, parents, James and Susannah Fletcher.
Mary, born ——, baptised 7th, parents, —— ——.
Elizabeth, born ——, baptised 13th, parents, —— Stocking-seacer.
Susannah, born ——, baptised ——, parents, Joseph and Sarah Stidham.

OCTOBER.

Sarah, born September 5th, baptised 10th, parents, William and Mary Hatten.

James, born March 20th, baptised . . . 15th, parents, Bryan and Mary Daily.

NOVEMBER.

Enock, born September 16th, baptised 1st, parents, Andrew Lynam.

Mary, born . . . , baptised 1st, parents, . . . Ashton.

William, born October 14th, baptised 15th, parents, Henry and Ann Sinnex.

DECEMBER.

Benoni, born——, baptised 13th, parents, John and Sarah Bird.

Ann, born ——, baptised 13th, parents, Francis Day and ——.

Thomas, born March 18, 1768, baptised 26th, parents, Edward and Mary Smith.

Edward, born December 23, 1771, baptised 26th, parents, Edward and Mary Smith.

Rebecca, born October 14th, baptised 26th, parents, Nicholas and Dorothy Fory.

ANNO 1773.

JANUARY.

Thomas, born ——, baptised 1st, parents, John Elliott and ——.

David, born ——, baptised April 3d, parents, John and Ann Lynam.

Lady, born December 20, 1772, baptised 10th, parents, Arthur and Lady Tool.

Mary Taylor, wife of George Taylor, baptised 26th.

FEBRUARY.

Joseph Dain, born ——, baptised 12th, between 20 and 30 years old.

Elizabeth, born ——, baptised 14th, parents, John Jontery and ——.

Mary, born December 13, 1772, baptised 21st, parents, Matthias and Elizabeth Gennet.

Martha, born ——, baptised 21st, parents, Andrew Anderson and ——.

MARCH.

Mary, born ———, baptised 7th, parents, Joseph Hedge and Hannah.

Elizabeth, born August, 1772, baptised 20th, parents, Thomas and Margret Rawlings.

Jonas, born January 22d, baptized 28th, parents, Jonas and Elizabeth Peterson.

APRIL.

Susannah, born February 15th, baptised 12th, parents, Michael and Sabilla Wolf.

—— Baptised 12th, child of Elias Tussey.

—— Baptised 20th, child of Peter Springer.

Jacob, baptised 20th, bound to Peter Springer,

Benjamin, born December 25, 1772, baptised 25th, parents, Joseph and Susanna Jackson.

MAY.

Peter, born March 31, baptised 6th, parents, John Hendrickson and ——.

Rachel, born ——, baptised April 16th, parents,——Justisson and ——.

John, born March 31, baptised 6th, parents, John and Ann Sinnex.

William, born July 25, 1771, baptised 19th, parents, Lars and Sarah Etheridge.

JULY.

—— Baptised 4th, child of William Tussy.

—— Baptised 12th, child of W. Hendrickson.

—— Baptised 19th, sick child.

AUGUST.

Margret, born —, baptised 2d, parents, Jacob and Ingeber Derrickson.

Elizabeth, illegitimate, born June 14th, baptised 24th, parents, mother, Ester Bines.

Rebecca, born —, baptized 29th, parents, John and Mary Husbands.

Bird, born —, baptized 29th, parents, —— Runnels.

SEPTEMBER.

Joseph, born ——, baptised 15th, parents, John Hawkins and ——.

Elizabeth, born ——, baptised 8th, parents, John Welsh and ——.

Mary, born August 13th, baptised 12th, parents, Cornelius and Elizabeth Hines.

William, born ——, baptised 20th, parents, ——.

OCTOBER.

Samuel, born ——. baptised 11th, parents, Johnston.

John, born September 19th, baptised 19th, parents, Thomas and Cathrine Quin.

NOVEMBER.

Solomon, born ——, baptised 7th, parents, Solomon Springer and ——.

Ann, born ——, baptised 7th, parents, Israel Peterson and ——.

John, born . . . , baptised 20th, parents, John Sperry and . . . .

Isaac, born . . . , baptised 20th, parents, John Stidham and . . .

Hannah, born September 24th, baptised 21st, parents, Mat thias and Mary Peterson.

William, illegitimate, born July 6th, baptized 25th, parents, Richard Silene and Elizabeth McLane.

—— Baptised 28th, child of William Elliott.

Thomas, born November 13th, baptised 28th, parents, Lukas and Hannah Wallraven.

DECEMBER.

Elizabeth, born . . . , baptised 1st, parents, Charles Springer Jamesson and . . . .

Ann, born . . . , baptised 15th, parents, Robert Pierce, Jr., and . . .

Joseph, born . . . , baptised 15th, parents, ... and Rachel Brown.

Margret, born October 13th, baptised 26th, parents, John and Barbara Rogers.

ANNO 1774.

JANUARY.

Rachel, born——baptised 2nd parents, Wm. and Rebecca Derricson.

John, born December 6, 1773, baptised 3rd, parents, Peter Paulson and . . .

Helena, born October 21, 1773, baptised 20th, parents, Thomas and Leady Lendey.

FEBRUARY.

Mathias, born December 16, 1773, baptised——parents, Fredrich and Barbary King.

Mary, born January 12th, baptised 6th, parents, Isaac and Ann Vanboner.

Martha, born——baptised 27th, parents, Richard and Mary Derrickson.

MARCH.

Thomas, born February 25th, baptised 24th, parents, Justa and Mary Walraven.

James, born April 4, 1772, baptised 27th, parents, James and Martha Anderson.

APRIL.

Thomas, born . . . , baptised 10th, parents, Thomas Kane and . .

. . . . . 24th, child of Joseph Springer Christopherson and Leady.

MAY.

Samuel, born March 29th, baptised 2nd, parents, John and Ann Jesper.

Philip, born . . , baptised 2nd, parents, Wm. Sharpley, Jr., and Rebecca.

Charlotte, born March 6th, baptised 8th, parents, Gottfried and Mariana Zephernuh.

. . . . , baptised 22nd, a child.

James, born January 28th, baptised 28th, parents, James and Susannah Varney.

David News, born June 15, 1750, baptised 30th, in 24th year of his age.

JUNE.

William, born . . . , baptised 19th, parents, Willson and . . .

William, born . . . , baptised 26th, parents, Jacob and Rebecca Bird.

JULY.

Hannah, born . . . , baptised 7th, parents, Herman and Martha Whiteman.

David, born May 27th, baptised 10th, parents, David and Susannah Tryon.

Cathrina, born . . . , baptised 10th, parents, Jonas Morton and . .

Aaron, born May 27th, baptised 11th, parents, John and Margret Pierce.

Rebecca, illegitimate, born April 2nd, baptised 13th, parents, John Littaer and Mary Harrison.

Mary, born . . . , baptised 17th, parents, Charles Springer Josephson and Margret.

Mary, born February 29, 1772, baptised 26th, parents John and Ann Hahn.

James born January 29, 1772, baptised 26th, parents, John and Ann Hahn.

AUGUST.

Sarah, born March 12th, baptised 26th, parents, Patrick and Margret Carlile.

Alexander, born July 7th, baptised 29th, parents, James and Martha Anderson.

SEPTEMBER.

Sarah, born baptised 12th, parents, . . ,

OCTOBER.

Fanny, born September 7th, baptised 12th, parents John and Margret Erwin.

Elizabeth born December 7, 1773 baptised 16th, parents, Thomas and Ann Samford.

Elizabeth born September 14th, baptised 16th, parents Charles and Susanna Paulson.

Elenor, born baptised 16th, parents, Garner and . . ,

NOVEMBER.

William (illegitimate) born September 23rd, baptised 1st, parents, Erick Anderson and Cathrine Grimes.

Robert, born January 28th, baptised 11th, parents, John and Ruth Peterson.

John Giles, born . . , baptised 12th, parents, Joseph and Elizabeth Gilpin.

Marion, born October 15th, baptised 13th, parents, Robert and Jean Richardson.

DECEMBER.

Susannah born baptised 26th, parents, John and Mary Foudery.

ANNO 1775.

JANUARY.

Susanna, born October 22, 1774, baptised 4th, parents, Peter Vandever Jr. and Brita.

Thomas, born . . , baptised 18th, parents, Thomas and Margret Rawlings.

John, born January 2nd, baptised 23rd, parents, Joseph and Susanna Jackson.

FEBRUARY.

Ann, born September 27, 1774, baptised February 2nd, parents, John and Ann Niclason.

Isabelle, born October 28, 1773, baptised 12th, parents, Michael and Isabella Wolf.

Evan Ryle, born . . . baptised 13th, parents, Thomas and Leady Gilpin.

Martha, born January 4th, baptised 27th, parents, Gilbert and Ann McCarter.

Joseph, born January 25th, baptised 28th, parents, John and Beata Hendrickson.

MARCH.

William, born February . . . , baptised 19th, parents, Charles and Cathrine Cooper.

Isaac, born . . . baptised 19th, parents, Wm. Tussey and . .

Mary, born . . . baptised 19th, parents, Thomas and Leady Gilpin.

APRIL.

Elizabeth, born January 5th, baptised 9th, parents, Wm. and Cathrine Husten.

Andrew, born . . . baptised 9th, parents, John Hendrickson Jr., and . .

Joseph, born March 7th, baptised 14th, parents, Joseph and Cathrine Lawson.

Hannah, born . . . baptised 23rd, parents, Robert Pierce, Jr.

MAY.

William, born February 5th, baptised 5th, parents, Brian and Mary Daily.

John, born April 2nd, baptised 5th, parents, Patrick and Elenor Prelly.

Anna, born April 1st, baptised 7th, parents, Joseph and Rachel Brown.

Elizabeth, born April 6th, baptised 14th, parents, Jonas and Elizabeth Peterson.

John, born March 18th, baptised 28th, parents, John and Mary Husband.

John, born April 14th, baptised 28th, parents, Benjamin and Susanna Elliott.

JUNE.

Cathrine, born November 15, 1774, baptised 11th, parents, Jacob and Ann Lessinger.

Joseph, born April 12th, baptised 11th, parents, Cornelius and Christiana Stidham,

Sarah, born April 11th, baptized 13th, parents, Morton and Dorcas Morton.

Mary Sarah Cathrine, born February 21st, baptised 18th, parents, Andrew and Emy Bryan.

Isaac, born May 28th, baptised 25th, parents, Wm. Anderson, Jr. and Mary.

John, born December 5, 1774, baptised 27th, parents, David and Rebecca Windel.

JULY.

William, born . . . baptised 5th, parents, Caleb Perkins and Sarah, born June 11th, baptised 3rd, parents, David and Hannah Stidham.

Mary, born . . . baptised 30th, parents, Wm. Derickson Zacharyson and . .

AUGUST.

Christina, born . . . baptised 12th, parents, Elias Tursan.

Robeson, born . . . baptised 13th, John Sinex and . .

Henry and Jacob, born August 13th, baptised 25th, parents, Henry and Mary Hiland.

SEPTEMBER.

Zacharias, born . . . baptised 10th, parents, Jacob Derrickson Zacharyson and Elenor.

Thomas, born . . . baptised 11th, parents . . .

Ann, born . . . baptised 12th, parents . . .

Mary, born August 17th, baptised 17th, parents, John and Elizabeth Humphries.

William, born May 13th, baptised 18th, parents, Mark and Jeane Elliott.

Jacob, born . . . , baptised 24th, parents, Jacob Derrickson, Williamson and Ingeber.

John, born . . . , baptised 24th, parents, Richard and Hannah Gilome.

OCTOBER.

Ann, born August 16th, baptised 14th, parents, William and Rebecca Stidham.

John, born . . . , baptised 13th, parents, Charles Springer Jameson and . . . .

Margret, born . . . , baptised 17th, parents.

Sarah, born . . . , baptised 22d, parents, ...

Mary, born September 29th, baptised 29th, parents, John and Sarah Paulson.

NOVEMBER.

George, born August 23d, baptised 4th, parents, Andrew and Margret Lynam.

William, born June 22d, baptised 6th, parents, William Derrickson, Williamson and Rebecca.

Thomas Gilpin, born . . . , two years old, baptised 6th, parents, ...

Mary and Cornelius, born . . . , baptised 8th, parents, Cornelius Derrickson and . . . .

DECEMBER.

Conrad, born November 17th, baptised 4th, parents, Lukas and Kathrine Wallraven.

Jeane, born . . . , baptised 11th, parents, Andrew Anderson and . . . .

Zacharias, born September 7th, baptised 11th, parents, Isaac and Ann Vanlooner.

James, born . . . , baptised 29th, parents, James and Priscilla McClausky.

ANNO 1776.

JANUARY.

Elizabeth, born . . . , baptised 11th, parents, Peter and Mary Woolbaugh.

Eva, born January 8th, baptised 25th, parents, John and Eva Depolt.

FEBRUARY.

Thomas, born January 18th, baptised ——, Cornelius and Elizabeth Heins.

MARCH.

Elizabeth, born December 25th, baptised 3d, parents, William and Rachel Sharpley.

Andrew, born February 16th, baptised 12th, parents, Andrew and Sarah Peterson.

Elenor, born February 13th, baptised 26th, parents, William and Margret Armer.

Griesey, born March 25th, baptised 29th, parents, ...

Aaron, born . . . , baptised 31st, parents, Charles Paulson and . . . .

Ann, born . . . , baptised . . , parent, Susanna Tryon.

APRIL.

John, born March 11, 1776, baptised 21st, parents, Joseph and Hannah Hedges.

Mary, born . . . , baptised 21st, parents, Griffith Jordan and Phœbe.

MAY.

Andrew, born . . . , baptised 5th, parents, Joseph Springer Christopherson and Lydia.

Mary, born April 29th, baptised 10th, parents, Edward Dawson and . . . .

John, born January 11th, baptised 30th, parents, Robert and Sarah King.

Jacob, born April 14th, baptised 31st, parents, James and Elizabeth Justison.

JUNE.

John, born . . . , baptised 2d, parents, John Elliott and . . . .

Mary and Sarah, illegitimate, born Feruary 15th, baptised 2d, parents, James Baily and Elizabeth McKibb.

JULY.

Lancelot Smidt, a soldier in the Continental army, now on his March to New York, baptised 12th, in 25th year of his age.

Sarah, born . . . , baptised 21st, parents, Peter Springer and . . . .

Mary, born . . . , baptised 21st, parents, Peter Paulson and . . . .

John, born June 10th, baptised 26th, parents, Israel Israels and . . . .

Mary, born May 4th, baptised 24th, parents, Theoplufus and Mary Jones.

Elizabeth, born May 14th, baptised 28th, parents, Edward and Mary Bratten.

AUGUST.

. . . , baptised 6th, child of John Price.

Mary, born April 7th, baptised 11th, parents, George and Mary Jackson.

Rebecca, born March 22, 1774, baptised 25th, parents, William and Judah Price.

SEPTEMBER.

Elizabeth, born . . . , baptised 7th, parents, Frederick King.

Rebecca, born . . . , baptised 8th, parents, David and Rebecca Windell.

. . . , born . . . , baptised 22d, parents, John Sperry.

Jane Bralk, born March, 1756, baptised 24th.

Elizabeth, born August 1st, baptised 24th, parents, Barney and Jane Brade.

Isaac, born 7th, baptised 25th, parents, Morton and Dorkas Morton.

OCTOBER.

John, born . . . , baptised 13th, parents, Mathias Peterson and . . . .

John, born September 13th, baptised 13th, parents, Thomas and Cathrine Hogg.

Elizabeth, born July 1st, baptised 26th, parents, Wm. and Elizabeth Elliott.

Mary, born . . baptised 28th, parents, . . McIntire.

James, born . . baptised 28th, parents, Joseph and Elizabeth Gilpin.

NOVEMBER.

Ann, born . . baptised 3rd, parents, Thomas and Isabella Crow.

Margrete, born . . baptised 7th, parents, Mulgrove and . . ,

William, born . . baptised 7th, parents, Fletcher and . . .

John and Fanny, born . . baptised 8th, parents, Robert and Margret Eiles.

David born . . baptised 17th; parents John Hendrickson and . . . ,

Rebecca, born August 14th, baptised 18th, parents, Robert and Elenor Sherman.

John, born . . baptised 24th, parents, Samuel and Mary Landers.

John, born . . baptised 27th, parents Peter Blankshorne and . . . ,

Richard born March 5th, baptised 30th, parents, Richard and Mary Derrick.

DECEMBER.

Elenor, born October . . baptised 3rd, parents, Thomas and Jane Love.

John, born . . baptised 14th, parents, . . . ,

Isaac and Rebecca, born . . baptised 23rd, parents, Gord and . . . ,

Rebecca, born 5th, baptised 29th, parents, Joseph and Mary Elliott.

ANNO 1777.

JANUARY.

John, born . . . baptised 3rd, parents, Hugh and Rachel Montgomery.

Sarah, born . . baptised 4th, parents, Ake Helm and . . . ,

Cathrine born December 11th, baptised 22nd, parents, John and Rebecca Veal.

Colepepper, born . . baptised 29th, parents, Robert Hedges and . . . ,

FEBRUARY.

Sarah born . . baptised 8th, parents, Smith and . . . ,

Johannah born January 10th, baptised 9th, parents, Hans and Susanna Hamcass.

John born January 10th, baptised 25th, parents, Wm. and Margret Heagen.

MARCH.

William, born . . baptised 9th, parents, Benjamin Elliott and . . .

Cathrine born January 12th, baptised 16th, parents, Jacob and Elenor Derrickson.

Isaac, born ——, baptised 23d, parents, Israel Peterson and ——.

APRIL.

Margret, born ——, baptised 7th, parents, Morton Vandever and ——.

Tobias, born ——, baptised 7th, parents, Morton Vandever and ——.

Sarah, born ——, baptised 13th, parents, Henry Garritson and ——.

Rebecca, born March 9th, baptised 13th, parents, Jonas and Gwin Matson.

Susanna, born ——, baptised 20th, parents, Robert Peirce, Jr.

MAY.

Jacob born March 12th, baptised 19th, parents, Michael and Isabella Woolf.

Charles, born ——, baptised 25th, parents, Charles Springer Josephson and Margret.

JUNE.

Margret, born February 28th, baptised 14th, parents, Michael and Ann Green.

Margret, born March 25th, baptised 14th, parents, Alexander and Martha Ford.

Margret, born ——, baptised 15th, parents, Thomas Webster.

Elizabeth, born ——, baptised 15th, parents, Thomas Webster.

Jane, born ——, baptised 15th, parents, Thomas Webster.

Strange Backhouse, born November 4, 1750, baptised 17th, parents, John and Mary Backhouse.

Joseph, born September 25, 1776, baptised 17th, parents, Strange and Cathrine Backhouse.

Margret, born April 13th, baptised 22d, parents, John Hendrickson, Jr., and Margret.

JULY.

William, born ——, baptised 13th, parents, Robert and Rachel Armstrong.

Joseph, born ——, baptised 24th, parents, Jacob and Mary Anderson.

AUGUST.

Baptised 2d, a sick child over Brandywine belonging to Presbyterians.

Jacob, born ——, baptised 10th, parents, Caleb Perkins and — .

Mary, born ——, baptised 10th, parents, Richard and Johanna Silinie.

Cathrine, born ——, baptised 23d, parents, Mary Bradford.

OCTOBER.

Mary, born March 3d, baptised 12th, parents, George and Cathrine Thomas.

Ann, born August 24, baptised 13th, parents, William and Mary Shore.

Elizabeth, born August 25th, baptised 13th, parents, William and Mary Jordan.

Margret, born October 12th, baptised 14th, parents, Charles and Elenor McLaughlin.

Elizabeth, born October 29, 1776, baptised 16th, parents, William and Mary Skott.

Drusilla, born November 28, 1776, baptised 20th, parents, Joseph and Susanna Jackson.

NOVEMBER.

Rachel, born December 27, 1776, baptised 25th, parents, Joseph and Hannah Ball.

DECEMBER.

Mary, born October 5th, baptised 25th, parents, John and Elenor Paulson.

Sarah, born November 25th, baptised 25th, parents, John and Margret Hanah.

ANNO 1778.

JANUARY.

Mary, born December 27, 1777, baptised 9th, parents, John and Abby Ash.

Thomas, born ——, 9 days old, baptised 26th, parents, Thomas and Ann Allison.

FEBRUARY.

Henry, born January 11th, baptised 9th, parents, James and Elenor Birwin.

Cathrine, born . . . , baptised 19th, belonged to a soldier quartered in town.

William, born . . . , baptised 19th, parents, Wm. Armor and . . .

John, born December 31, 1777, baptised 21st, parents, Guilbert and Ann M. Vander.

MARCH.

Joel, born . . . , baptised 1st, parents, Charles Paulson and . . .

Sarah, born . . . , baptised 2d, parents, Thomas and Elizabeth Plunket.

. . . . . , baptised 20th, child of Morton Morton.

APRIL.

Mary, baptised 6 years old.

Elizabeth, born February 7th, baptised 12th, parents, Arthur and Johannah Dempsey.

MAY.

Charlotta Elenora, born April 24th, baptised 4th, parents, Wm. and Mary Johnson,

Benjamin, born March 24th, baptised 6th, parents, Benjamin and Susannah Elliott.

John, born August 14, 1777, baptised 14th, parents, Zacharias and Sarah Derrickson.

Sarah, born April 5th, baptised 14th, parents, Cornelius and Ann Derrickson.

Robert, born . . . , baptised 17th, parents, ... Bratton and . . .

Elenore, born September 13th, baptised 19th, parents, Thomas and Johannah Afrell.

Elizabeth and Mary, born December 15, 1777, baptised 25th, parents, Patrick and Jane Mooney.

Wm. Owen, born October . , 1777, baptised 24, parents, ...

A child baptised 28th, parents, ...

JUNE.

John, born January 25th, baptised 3d, parents, Theophilus and Mary Jones.

Elizabeth, born . baptised 14th, parents, Grifith and Phoebe Jordan.

Thomas, born April 24th, baptised 17th, parents, John and Persina Vandever.

Adam, born . . . , baptised 28th, parents, Wm. and Rebecca Sharpley.

JULY.

Mary, born January 21, 1777, baptized 2d, parents, John and Mary Fonderey.

Ann, born February 4th, baptised 23rd, parents, John Paulson Johnson and Sarah.

Joseph, born . . . 1768,

Margaret and James, born . . . 1771,

Ruth, born September 20, 1773,

Baptised 26th, parents, Allen and Ann Robinet.

John, born March 31st, baptised 28th, parents, David and Susanna Tryon.

AUGUST.

William, born December 13, 1777, baptised 16th, parents, Abel and Elenor Ghard.

Adolphus, born August 4, 1777, baptised 16th, parents, John and Mary Husband.

SEPTEMBER.

John, born July 15th, baptised 13th, parents, John and Ann Hendrickson.

Anna Maria, born July 24th, baptised 18th, parents, Richard and Mary Derrick.

George Glovier, born . . . baptised 20th, parents, Joseph and Elizabeth Gilpin.

OCTOBER.

Ann, born . . . baptised 16th, parents, Wm. and Margaret Heagen.

Nancy, born August 3rd, baptised 25th, parents, Andrew and Sarah Peterson.

William, born August 6th, baptised 25th, parents, David and Hannah Stidham.

NOVEMBER.

John, born . . . baptised 2d, parents, John and Elenor Baughman.

Isaac, born October 23rd, baptised 18th, parents, Peter and Elizabeth Paulson.

James, born September 24th, baptised 21st, parents, Samuel and Margret Little.

Joseph, born October 18th, baptised 28th, parents, Joseph Springer Christopherson and Lydia.

DECEMBER.

Thomas, born October 14th, baptised 3rd, parents, Mark and Jane Elliott.

Joseph, born November 5th, baptised 14th, parents, Zacharias and Sarah Derickson.

Isabella, born November 31st, baptised 31st, parents, James and Elizabeth Murphey.

ANNO 1779.

JANUARY.

. . . . . the 4th, baptised a negro chiid.

Enoch, born October 19th, baptised 6th, parents, Andrew and Margret Anderson.

Cathrine, born . . . baptised 7th, parents, John Stilley and . . . . .

Susanna, born . . . baptised 22d, parents, Cornelius and Christiana Stidham.

. . . child, . . . baptised 31st, parents, Mathias Gennet.

FEBRUARY.

Ely, born January 1, 1778, baptised 5th, parents, John and Ann Sennex.

Rachel, born October 16, 1778, baptised 5th, parents, John Justis and Sarah Sennex.

Cathrine Bratherson baptized 8th, about twenty years old.

Mary, 4 years old, baptised 8th, parents, . . .

Violet, born . . . , baptised 11th, belonging to a free negro woman.

Rachel, born January 23rd, baptised 14th, parents Michael and Isabella Wood.

Ann, born February 1st, baptised 22nd, parents, John H. and Sarah Chair.

MARCH.

Ann Mary, born . . . , baptised 4th, parents Wm. and Rebecca Stidham.

Peter, born . . . , baptised 4th, parents, Wm. and Rebecca Stidham.

John, born March 7th, baptised 14th, parents, Hugh and Susannah McLean.

George, born January 13th, baptised 22nd, parents, Thomas and Elizabeth Harper.

William, born February 16th, baptised 22nd, parents, Christopher and Elizabeth Gennet.

APRIL.

Rebecca, born March 28, 1769, baptised 2nd, parents, Mark and Sarah Morton.

MAY.

Sarah, born March 28, 1769, baptised 2nd, parents, George and Agnes Alkorn.

John, born . . . baptised April 5th, parents, John and Cathrine Pagne.

Thomas, born . . . , baptised April 5th, parents, John and Cathrine Pagne.

William, born . . . , baptised April 5th, parents, John and Cathrine Pagne.

Mary, born April 5th, baptised April 5th, parents, John and Cathrine Pagne.

Thomas, born . . . , baptised 16th, parents, . . Skotshorn and Rebecca.

JUNE.

Mary, born March 14th, baptised 8th, parents, James Peterson and . . .

Mary, born . . , baptised 6th, parents, Edward Smith and . . .

Robert, born December 10, 1778, baptised 10th, parents, Robert and Cathrine Pierce.

John born . . . , baptised 20th, parents . . . Konolly and . . .

Jonas, born . . . , baptised 20th, parents, Wallraven Walraven and . . .

Joseph, born December 20, 1778, baptised 26th, parents, Thomas and Unity Watson.

Henry, born . . . , baptised 27th, parents, George Nelson and . . .

JULY.

Thomas, born . . . , baptised 15th, parents, . . . Davis and . . .

AUGUST.

James, born May 3rd, baptised 8th, parents, Edward and Ann Dunn.

Esau and Jacob, born . . . . , baptised 8th, parents, John Sperey and . . .

Kesia, illegitimate, born February 4th, baptised 14th, parents, Ezekil Eden and Mary Abby.

. . . . . baptised 22nd, sick child of Jacob Barnes.

SEPTEMBER.

Jane, born July 18th, baptised 16th, parents, George and Cloe Forsyth.

William, born June 19th, baptised 19th, parents, Hugh and Mary Parker.

OCTOBER.

Elizabeth, born September 2d, baptised 3d, parents, Hans and Susanna Slameass.

Joseph, born . . . , baptised 3d, parents, Joseph and Elizabeth Gilpin.

David, born March 1, 1778, baptised 14th, parents, David and Ester John.

NOVEMBER.

Ann, born October 5th, baptised 6th, parents, Peter and Cathrine Derickson.

Elizabeth, born October 4th, baptised 28th, parents, John and Elenor Paulson.

DECEMBER.

Andrew, born October 29th, baptised 7th, parents, John and Ann Lynam.

ANNO 1780.

JANUARY.

Mary, born January 24th, baptised 25th, parents, Thomas Broom and . . .

FEBRUARY.

Mary and Susanna, born January 5th, baptised 14th, parents, Jacob and Debora Robinson.

William, born December 22d, baptised 27th, parents, William and Mary Anderson.

Ann, illegitimate, born February 17, 1777, baptised 29th, parents, John Kery and Mary Neil.

MARCH.

Peter, born January 7th, baptised 6th, parents, Charles and Susanna Paulson.

Elizabeth, born February 5th, baptised 7th, parents, John and Persina Vandever.

Mary, born November 18, 1779, baptised 27th, parents, Frederick and Barbary King.

Martin, born August, 1777, baptised 27th, parents, Gabriel and Margret Walker.

APRIL.

Sarah, born January 18th, baptised 2d, parents, Jacob and Elenor Derrickson.

Mary, born February 6, 1779, baptised 6th, parents, John and Rebecca Skotshorn.

William, born August 6th, baptised 7th, parents, William and Ester Kiley,

Margret, born March 4th, baptised 8th, parents, Benjamin and Susannah Elliott.

Fanny, born November 16, 1779, baptised 9th, parents, Isaac and Rebecca Cherry.

Martha, born September 19th, baptised 15th, parents, John and Mary Elliott.

John, born August 15, 1779, baptised 15th, parents, John and Sarah Hugis.

Ann, born July 3d, baptised 18th, parents, Jacob and Mary Anderson.

John, born March 12th, baptised 23d, parents, Robert and Rachel Armstrong.

Nancy, born . . . , baptised 30th, parents, . . . Sanderson and . . . .

MAY.

Mary, born March 11, 1777, baptised 7th, parents, George and Ann Fox.

Frances, born February 4, 1777, baptised 7th, parents, George and Ann Fox.

Susanna, born May . . , baptised 25th, parents, William and Sophia Negly.

Jane, born April 17th, baptised 28th, parents, Samuel and Margret Little

JUNE.

Mary, born November 4, 1779, baptised 3rd, parents, Cornelius and Ann Derickson.

Thomas, born March 30, 1779, baptised 11th, parents, Thomas and Margret Webster.

Peter, born . . . baptised 25th, parents, Peter and Lydia Woolbaugh.

JULY.

James, born December 23, 1779, baptised 8th, parents, Wm. and Jane Flanagan.

AUGUST.

Cathrine, illegitimate, born November 8, 1779, baptised 14th, parents, James Brindley and Rebecca Smidt.

SEPTEMBER.

Andrew, born August 28th, baptised 4th, parents, Jacob and Mary Grebble.

Mary, born November 4, 1779, baptised 25th, parents, George and Martha Nelson.

OCTOBER.

William, illegitimate, born August 6th, baptised 2nd, parents, Solomon Stockium and Jane Booth.

Anne, born . . . baptised 15th, parents, Joseph and Elenor Baughman.

Daniel, born . . . baptised 22nd, parents, Daniel Janifer Adams and Ann.

John, born September 28th, baptised 23rd, parents, Lukas and Cathrine Wallraven.

Hannah, born February 28th, baptised 25th, parents, Strange and Cathrine Backhouse.

David, born December 25, 1779, baptised 25th, parents, David and Margret Cross.

NOVEMBER.

Thomas, born . . . baptised 2nd, parents, Charles Springer Jamesson and . .

DECEMBER.

John Robert, born . . . baptised 1st, parents, . . . Nowlan and . .

Johan Adolph, born October 31st at 4 o'clock in the morning, baptised the 6th of this month by the Rev. Mr. M. Hultgren, parents, Lawrence and Christina Girelius;

Godfathers, The Very Reverend Dr. Charles Magnus Wrangel, chief chaplain to the King and Dean of Sahla in Sweden;

The Very Reverend John Girelius, rector of the Parish, near Averla in Sweden; my dear father;

The Rev. Mathias Hultgren, rector of Wicacoe, Philadelphia.

Godmothers, Dr. Wrangel's Lady, a daughter of Admiral Priusentierna;

Mistress Barbara Helena Girelius my good stepmother, whose maiden name was Borg;

Miss Cathrine Parlen, a daughter of the late Mr. Olof Parlen, rector of Wicacoe, Philadelphia.

ANNO 1781.

JANUARY.

Joanna, born December 17, 1780, baptised 31st, parents, Hans and Hannah Nass.

Benjamin, born . . baptised February 18th, parents, . . . ,

Alexander born . . baptised 21st parents, . . . ,

MARCH.

Sarah, born February 8th, baptised 17th, parents, Wm. and Rebecca Stedham.

APRIL.

Jacob, born . . baptised 2nd, parents, Alexander Carr and .

Lydia, born January 20th, baptised 17th, parents, Joseph Springer Christopherson and Lydia.

Isaac, born March 19th, baptised 23rd, parents, John and Elizabeth Stilly.

Elizabeth, born February 4th, baptised 24th, parents Peter and Elizabeth Paulson.

John, born September 17th, baptised 25th, parents James and Elizabeth Murphey.

Ann, born January 27th, baptised 29th, parents, Cornelius and Christina Stedham.

MAY.

Jonathan, born May 22nd, 1775, baptised 5th, parents, Thomas and Marion Davis.

Susanna, born August 23, 1780, baptised 5th, parents, Thomas and Marion Davis.

Thomas, born April 22nd, baptised 13th, parents, David and Hannah Stedham.

Isaac, born . . , baptised 13th, parents, Charles Springer Josephson and Margret.

JUNE.

Elizabeth, born February 27th, baptised 21st, parents. Robert and Jane Robinson.

JULY

William, born February . . baptised 1st, parents, Thomas and Ann Wilson.

AUGUST.

Ann, born December 25, 1780, baptised 30th, parents Robert and Margret Eccles.

SEPTEMBER.

Hannah, born . . , baptised 9th, parents, Joseph and Hannah Hedge.

Levi, born . . , baptised 27th, parents, John and Elizabeth Justis.

Mary, born December 28, 1780, baptised 27th; parents, Henry and Mary Garritson.

OCTOBER.

John, born . . , baptised 7th, parents, Wallraven Wallraven and . . ,

Cathrine, born . . , baptised 14th, parents, Jacob and Mary Anderson.

NOVEMBER.

John Andrew, born August 25th, baptised 17th, parents, John and Ann Han.

George, born November 22nd, baptised 25th, parents Samuel and Cathrine Gass.

DECEMBER.

Isaac, born . . . . , baptised 3d, parents, Samuel and Cathrine Milnor.

Elizabeth, born . . . . , baptised 3d, parents, David and Margret Beeson.

Elizabeth, born . . . . , baptised 3d, parents, Wm. Vandever and . . .

Regina, born . . . . . baptised 4th, parents, Wm. and Lydia Rawson.

William, born September 1st, baptised 9th, parents, John and Susanna Stilly.

William, born . . . , baptised 29th, parents, Thomas Broom and . . .

ANNO 1782.

JANUARY.

Elizabeth, illegitimate, born December 25, 1772, baptised 6th, parents, Edward Vernon and Ann White.

John, born November 22, 1781, baptised 13th, parents, Hans and Susanna Hamcas.

Jacob, born November 7, baptised 20th, parents, Jacob and Elenor Derrickson.

FEBRUARY.

John, born . . . . , baptised 3d, parents, Henry and Ann Nass.

Joseph, born . . . ,baptised 10th, parents, Joshua and Ann Mortenson.

John, born December 18, 1781, baptised 10th, parents, Samuel and Margret Little.

Sarah, born March 26th, baptised 17th, parents, Jacob and Mary Grebble.

Elenor, born . . . . , baptised 17th, parents, John and Elenor Paulson.

APRIL.

Joseph and Benjamin, born March . . , baptised 9th, parents, John and Sarah Paulson.

Isaac, born February 3d, baptised 13th, parents, Daniel Sharpley, Jr., and Rebecca.

Child baptised 13th, parents, Christopher Gennet and . . . .

Child baptised 29th, parents, Nail Daugherty and . . . . .

Joseph, born January 3, 1782, baptised 29th, parents, Nathaniel and Juliana Philips.

Sarah, born August 6, 1783, baptised . . , parents, Nathaniel and Juliana Phillips.

MAY.

James, born February 11th, baptised 5th, parents, Wm. and Ester Kelley.

Charles, illegitimate, born . . . . , baptised 5th, parents, Thomas Payne and Margret Ferris.

JUNE.

Alexander and James, born . . . , baptised 5th, parents, John Fletcher and . .

John, born March 21st, baptised 22d, parents, Johnathan Kirk, Jr., and Johanna.

JULY.

Mary, born . . . . , baptised 2d, parents, Richard Kean and . . .

Ann, illegitimate, born September 3, 1778, baptised 7th, parents, Andrew Murray and Lydia Londey.

Elizabeth, born February 6th, baptized 7th, parents, John and Lydia May.

Mary, born April 25th, baptized 14th, parents, Andrew Lip and Marelis.

John, born July 29, 1780, baptised 21st, parents, John and Ann Isham.

Sarah, born December 18, 1781, baptised 21st, parents, John and Ann Isham.

Mary, born May 3d, baptised 28th, parents, Christopher and Hannah Goest.

AUGUST.

Timothy, born ——, baptised 4th, parents, Sanderson and Hannah.

Jacob, born May 26th, baptised 6th, parents, Jacob Virt, Jr., and Mary.

Peter, born May 31st, baptised 8th, parents, John and Persina Vandever.

Reuben, born February 19, 1778, baptised 11th, parents, Nathaniel and Juliana Philips.

SEPTEMBER.

Thomas, born . . . , baptised 15th, parents, Thomas and Sarah Derrick.

Samuel, born . . . , baptised 15th, parents, Charles Paulson and . . .

OCTOBER.

William, born . . . , baptised 15th, parents, . . . Carr and . . .

NOVEMBER.

Sarah, born . . . , baptised 10th, parents, Cornelius Heins and . . .

Ann, born February 14th, baptised 27th, parents, Cornelius and Ann Derrickson.

DECEMBER.

Mary, born September 23d, baptised 4th, parents, Zacharias and Sarah Derickson.

Margret, born August 18th, baptised 4th, parents, Abram and Ann Voores.

James, illegitimate, born . . . , baptised 15th, parents, James Logan and Widow Prevost.

ANNO 1783.

JANUARY.

James, born December 18th, baptised 27th, parents, Edward and Mary Smith.

FFBRUARY.

Rachel, born August 31st, baptised 20th, parents, Joseph and Elenor Baughman.

MARCH.

Thomas, born January 31st, baptised 30th, parents, John and Hannah Flinn.

APRIL.

Henry, born October 23d, baptised 6th, parents, John and Mary Nowlin.

Sarah, born February 7th, baptised 6th, parents, Lukas and Cathrine Wallraven.

Robert, born November 23d, baptised 13th, parents, Robert and Rachel Armstrong.

——, ——, baptised 13th, parents, —— Clishy.

Mary, born February 25th, baptised 22d, parents, George and Elizabeth Weldon.

MAY.

William Vaneaman, born ——, baptised 1st, parents, Lukas and Joanna Stedham.

David, born April 1st, baptised 25th, parents, Jesse and Rebecca Wallraven.

JUNE.

Child, baptised 9th, parents, Joshua Mortonson.

Ingeber, born . . . , baptised 17th, parents, . . . Lefever.

Mary, born April 17th, baptised 20th, parents, John and Elizabeth Justis.

JULY.

Richard, born May 24th, baptised 10th, parents, Jacob and Deborah Robeson.

AUGUST.

Ann, born May 8th, baptised 2d, parents, Morton and Sarah Morton.

Ann, born August 9, 1782, baptised 3d, parents, John and Elizabeth Bryan.

Isaac, born August 8, 1782, baptised 6th, parents, William and Rebecca Stedham.

Sarah, born March 13th, baptised 6th, parents, Isaac and Anna Mary Stedham.

Mary, born June 13th, baptised 8th, parents, John and Elizabeth Stilley.

Joseph, born January 11th, baptised 17th, parents, Leonard and Lydia Young.

George and John, born . . . , baptised 25th, parents, . . . Carr and . . . .

Elizabeth, born January 1, 1782, baptised 31st, parents, Keto and Rachel Zimmingens (negroes).

SEPTEMBER.

John, born August 4, 1782, baptised 18th, parents, John and Ann Veal.

Elizabeth, born . . . , baptised 22d, parents, William and Cathrine Sharpe.

Margret, born . . . , baptised 28th, parents, Benjamin Elliott and . . . .

Johanna, born August 16th, baptised 28th, parents, Hans and Susannah Hamcast.

OCTOBER.

William, born August 27th, baptised 12th, parents, Samuel and Margret Little.

Samuel, born . . . , baptised 14th, parents, . . . Brown and Rachel.

Elinor, born June 30, 1780, baptised 18th, parents, John and Ann Sinnex.

Elizabeth, born July 21st, baptised 18th parents, Peter and Cathrine Derrickson.

Susanna, born . . . , baptised 22nd, parents, James Brindley and . . . .

James Joseph, born . . . , baptised 22nd, parents, James Brindley and . . . .

Baptised 22d, parents, James Brindley and . . . .

Cathrine, born . . . , baptised 26th, parents, Wallraven Wallraven and . . . .

NOVEMBER.

Brita Cathrina, born September 26th, seven o'clock, P. M.; baptised 2d, parents, Laurence and Christina Girelius; godfather, Rev. Niklas Collin, the present rector of Raccoon and Pennsneck churches, and Rev. Peter Girelius, assistant minister in the parish near Averta Sweden.

Godmother, Anna Maria Girelius, whose maiden name was Fyrshaff.

DECEMBER.

Joseph, born . . . baptized 4th, parents, Jacob and Hannah Justis.

Rebecca, born October 18th, baptised 7th, parents, Charles Springer Josephson and Margret.

Ann, born . . . baptised 15th, parents, Peter Paulson and . .

Samuel Watson, born November 28th, baptised 22nd, parents, Jacob and Mary Grebble.

George, born . . . baptised 11th, parents, Wm. and Lydia Rawson.

ANNO 1784.

JANUARY.

Rachel, baptised 31st, two months old, parents, Jacob and Mary Anderson.

FEBRUARY.

John, born . . . baptised 10th, parents, John Stidham, Jr., and . . .

Mary, born . . . baptised 19th, parents, Daniel and Rebecca Sharpley.

Elizabeth, born February 2nd, baptised 15th, parents, Samuel and Cathrine Gars.

APRIL.

William, born . . . baptised 4th, parents, George Paulson and . . .

Elizabeth, born December, 1783, baptised 12th, parents, Richard and Ann Taylor.

Daniel, born June 2, 1783, baptised 12th, parents, Moses and Sarah McComb.

Peter Haston, born . . twenty-five years old, baptised in sickness, baptised 16th.

John, born . . . sick child belonging to strangers, baptised 16th.

MAY.

Peter, born . . . baptised 13th, parents, Joseph Springer Christopherson and Lydia.

JUNE.

Mary, born September 1783, baptised 6th, parents, John and Elenor Rodgers.

Rebecca, born April 19th, baptised 7th, parents, Wm. and Rebecca Stidham.

Joseph, born May 19th, baptised 20th, parents, Jacob and Elenor Derrickson.

Mary, born May 16th, baptised 27th, parents, Joseph and Cathrine Lawson.

. . . sick child, baptised July, parents, . . . Toest.

JULY.

Archibald, January 2nd, 1777,
Elizabeth, February 27th, 1779,
Mary, May 16th, 1781,
John, November 23rd, 1783,
Baptised 19th, parents, Robert and Susanna Little.
Ann, born . . . baptised 2nd, parents, Jacob Broom and . .
James, born . . . baptised 2nd, parents, Jacob Broom and . .
Ester, born . . . baptised 2nd, parents, Jacob Broom and . .
Elizabeth, born . . baptised 2nd, parents, Jacob Broom and . .
Elizabeth, born September 20, 1777, baptised April 1778.

Mary, born May 29, 1780, qaptised 3rd, parents, Grissie and Phoebe Jordan.

Jonathan, . . . Jannary 2, 1783, baptised 3rd, parents, Grissie and Phoebe Jordan.

Henry Colesburg, born . . . , baptised 6th, parents, . . . Smith and . . .

Nicolas, born . . . baptised 8th, parents, David Stidham and . . .

Hanna, born July 14, 4783, baptised 11th, parents, John and Sarah Wood.

Elizabeth, born February 27th, baptised 11th, parents, Thomas Henry and Mary.

Thomas, born July 4th, baptised 12th, parents, Thomas and Ann Jones.

Susanna, born March 1st, baptised 12th, parents, Joseph and Mary Wagoner.

Sick child . . . baptised 19th, parents, ... Eiles.
Sick child . . . baptised 22d, parents, James Hinson.
Sick child . . . baptised 25th, parents, Jonathan Kirk.
Antony, born 2, 1783, parents, Wynekoop.

OCTOBER.

Rachel, born April 10, 1783, baptised 25th, parents, Thomas and Sara Derrick.

George and Elizabeth, 20 years old, black servants of the Crossans, in Mill Creek Hundred, were baptised in ye church October 10th.

NOVEMBER.

Abraham Few, between 30 and 40 years old; baptised in sickness ye 25th.

ANNO 1785.

JANUARY.

Mary, born November 23, 1784, baptised 7th, parents, Felix and Margret Hanlon.

Thomas, born November 1, 1784, baptised 13th, parents, John and Ann Lynam.

FEBRUARY.

Samuel, born February 3d, baptised 9th, parents, Jesse and Sarah Lewis.

Elizabeth, born April 7, 1784, baptised 12th, parents, John and Elizabeth Bowles.

MARCH.

Mary, born . . . baptised 1st, parents, John and Sarah Springer.

APRIL.

Mary, born January 4th, baptised 16th, parents, Isaac and Mary Stidham.

Elizabeth, born January 20th, baptised 16th, parents, John and Elizabeth Justis.

Nathan, . . . baptised 17th, parents, Charles Paulson and . . .

MAY.

Henry, born . . . baptised 8th, parents, Henry and Ann Nass.

Elenor, born . . . baptised 12th, parents, Jonas Stidham, Jr. and . . .

John, born March 24th, baptised 15th, parents, Daniel Sharpley Jr. and Rebecca.

Peter, born March 25th, baptised 19th, parents, Lucas and Joanna Stidham.

Peter, born February 11th, baptised 22d, parents, John and Ann Flinn.

Samuel, born April 1st, baptised 22d, parents, John and Sarah Wood.

Samuel, illegitimate, born October 27th, baptised 26th, parents, Joseph Day and Elizabeth Clindenone.

Catharine, born December, 1784, baptised 29th, parents, Wm. and Mary Smith.

Baptised 23d, a sick child in town.

JUNE.

William, born March 29th baptised 9th, parents, Jacob and Cathrine Colesberg.

Elizabeth, born October 6, 1784, baptised 9th, parents, James and Mary Eves.

. . . . . baptised 28th, sick child, parents, John Fletcher.

JULY.

Anna Ford, born . . . . , baptised in the church 3d.

Baptised a child the 3d.

Gatewell, born October 8, 1784, baptised 7th, parents, Archibald and Margret Croxon.

Margret, born . . . . , baptised 7th, parents, Joshua Mortonson and . .

AUGUST.

Mark, born . . . . , baptised 4th, parents, Dr. and Mary Capell.

Peter Tranberg, born July 25th, baptised 8th, parents, Wm. and Cathrine Sharpe

William, born February 27, 1784, baptised 8th, parents, Henry and Ann Haselton.

Rebecca, born . . . . , baptised 11th, parents, Jacob Gribble and . . .

Cathrine, born . . . . , baptised 14th, parents, Thomas Cox and . .

Andrew and Christian, born March 17, 1783, baptised 19th, parents, . . . Lyon.

OCTOBER.

Elizabeth, born August 4th, baptised 2d, parents, John and Elinor Rogers.

George, born July 8th baptised 2d, parents, Robert and Rachel Armstrong.

Hannah, born . . . . , baptised 17th, parents, Grissie and Phœbe Jordan.

NOVEMBER.

Mary, born September 30th, baptised 13th, parents, Hans and Susanna Hamcas.

DECEMBER.

Peter and Elizabeth, born November 15th, baptised December 1st, parents, Wallraven Wallraven and . . .

ANNO 1786.

MARCH.

The 20th, baptised Richard Tayla's sick child.

APRIL.

Samuel, born January 29th, baptised 30th, parents, Samuel and Margret Likel.

MAY.

Mary, born December 19, 1785, baptised 21st, parents, Nathaniel and Juliana Phiplis.

JUNE.

Justa, born . . . , baptized 4th, parents, Jacob and Hannah Justis.

Edward Gibson, born . . . , baptized 4th, in the twentieth year of his age.

Rebecca, born January 22d, baptized 11th, parents, Jonas and Sarah Gennet.

Elizabeth, born April 13th, baptized 11th, parents, Lukas and Cathrine Wallraven.

Hugh, born February 4, baptized 25th, parents, Hugh and Dolly Biggan, negroes.

JULY.

John, born . . . , baptized 14th, parents, ...

AUGUST.

James, born June 26th, baptized 6th, parents, Peter and Jane Davis.

Peter Abraham, born July 30th, baptized 9th, instant by Rev Charles H. Wharton, D. D., parents, Lawrence and Christina Girelius. This little child was very sick, being born with the whooping cough, and died soon after, the 17th, and was buried in Christine Church the 18th, in afternoon by Dr. Wharton.

SEPTEMBER.

Ann and William, born 1st, baptized 3d, parents, Robert and Mary Shapley.

Sarah, born . . . . .

Dorothea, Catharine and John, baptized 7th, parent, John Jaquett.

Mary, born . . . , baptized 10th, parents, George Paulson.

OCTOBER.

George, born March 4th, 1783,

Annie, born February, 1785,

Baptized 2d, parents, Robert and Jane Till, negroes, belonging to William Armer.

Anna Brita, born February 26th, baptized 16th, parents, John and Persina Vandever.

James, born September 24th, baptized 16th, parents, William and Maria Ardery.

Susanna, born September 21st, baptized 25th, parents, Hance and Mary Naff.

ANNO 1787.

MARCH.

Sarah, born . . . , baptized 14th, parents, John and Sarah Springer.

APRIL.

John, born February 12th, baptized 1st, parents, John and Sarah Wood.

. . . . . the 29th, baptized . . . , Willliam Smith's child.

MAY.

Charles, born April 1st, baptised 4th, parents, Charles and Susanna Paulson.

. . . . . baptised April 7th, a sick child.

Susanna, born October 14th, baptised 2nd, parents, Isaac and Anna Maria Stedham.

Mary, born . . . , baptised 8th, parents, James and Mary Eves.

Jonas Stidham, born . . . , baptised 8th, parents, John and Elizabeth Justis.

JUNE.

David, born . . . , baptised 10th, parents, David Stidham and . . .

Ann, born April 30th, baptised 18th, parents, John and Mary Colphos.

JULY.

Susanna and Rebecca, born June 7th, baptised 5th, parents, Leonard and Lydia Young.

Peter Vandever, born . . . , baptised 25th, parents, Winters and Sarah.

Hannah Shallcross, born . . . , baptised 26th, parents, Joseph and Elizabeth Gilpin.

AUGUST.

Ann Cathrine, born May 20th, baptised 2nd, parents, Peter and Ann Wallraven.

Ann, born . . . , baptised 6th, parents, William and Anna Cathrine Sharp.

. . . . . , baptised 14th, a sick child.

Peter, born . . . , baptised 19th, parents, Peter Paulson and . .

Elizabeth, born June 12, 1784, baptised 23rd, parents, John and Margret McGlaughlin.

Ann, born July 13, 1786, baptised 23rd, parents, John and Margret McGlaughlin.

SEPTEMBER.

Sarah and Elenor, born . . . , baptised 17th, parents, Thomas Derrick and . . .

OCTOBER.

Debora, born June 17th, baptised 10th, parents, Joseph and Ann Derrickson.

Mary, born December 5, 1786, baptised 11th, parents, Jonas Stedham, Jr., and Ingeber.

John, born September 8th, baptised 15th, parents, Daniel and Rebecca Hoffman.

Mary, born October 26, 1780, baptised 26th, parents, Timothy and Ann Jackson.

James, born June 22, 1783, baptised 26th, parents, Timothy and Ann Jackson.

Rebecca, born February 16, 1785, baptised 26th, parents, Timothy and Ann Jackson.

NOVEMBER.

William, born . . . , baptised 2nd, parents, Jacob and Mary Anderson.

William, born September 20th, baptised 9th, parents, Zachariah and Sarah Derrickson.

Maria May, born March 24th, baptised 26th, parents, Doctor and Mary Capelle.

DECEMBER.

Aquila, born . . . , baptised 2d, parents, Wallraven Wallraven and . . . .

Hannah, born October 22d, baptised 26th, parents, Thomas and Mary Moore.

Cornelius, born March 26th, baptised 26th, parents, Seneca and Jane Sennex.

ANNO 1788.

JANUARY.

Elizabeth, born . . . , baptised 3d, parents, Peter Justis and . . . .

FEBRUARY.

Elizabeth, born December 19, 1787, baptised 12th, parents, Andrew and Margret Lyon.

Cathrine, born December 24, 1787, baptised 28th, parents, Hance Naff, Jr., and Mary.

APRIL.

Baptised Solomon's child.

Elizabeth, born January 22d, baptised 13th, parents, Robert Armstrong and . . . .

Henry, born January 19th, baptised 20th, parents, John and Elizabeth Vining.

MAY.

Benjamin, born June 6th, baptised . . . , parents, Joseph and Rachel Brown.

Lawrence, born March 20th, baptised 11th, parents, Jacob and Christiana Justis.

. . . , baptised 25th, George Paulson's child.

Lars Gustav, born April 10th, at one o'clock P. M., baptised 29th, by Rev. Dr. Nicholas Collins of Wicacoe, parents, Lawrence and Christina Girelius.

JUNE.

John Beeson, born March 2d, badtised 10th, parents, John and Persina Vandever.

Susanna, born . . . , baptised 15th, parents, Benjamin Elliott and . . . .

Robinson Barrow, born May 12th, baptised 16th, parents, John and Mary Corkshott.

JULY.

Thomas, born May 16th, baptised 13th, parents, Samuel and Margret Likel.

Mary, born April 1, 1783,

James, born August 20, 1786,

Johann, born Feruary 16, 1788.

Baptised 21st, parents, Richard and Ann Graham.

Elizabeth, illegitimate, born May 15th, baptised 31st, parents, David Colby and Elizabeth Naff.

Peter, born . . . , baptised July 27th, parents, John Justis and . . . .

AUGUST.

Caleb, born . . . , baptised 10th, parents, Joshua Mortinson and . . . .

Hannah, born . . . , baptised 10th, parents, John Lynam and . . . .

Thomas, born . . . , baptised 13th, parents, William Foot and . . . .

SEPTEMBER.

Jane, born . . 3rd, baptised 30th, parents, Wm. and Ann Armstrong.

OCTOBER.

. . . , born . . , baptised 10th, the Father Lewis, dead.

John, born July 27th, baptised 16th, parents, George and Elizabeth Weldon.

Jonas, born . . , baptised 31st, parents, Lukas and Johanna Stedham.

DECEMBER.

Daniel, born . . , baptised 14th, parents Daniel Sharpley and . . .

ANNO 1789.

JANUARY.

John, born November 10, 1782, baptised 20th, parents, John and Hannah Flinn.

FFBRUARY.

Eliza, born September 24th, baptised 4th, parents Isaac and Ann Mary Stedham.

. . . , born . . , baptised 27th, child of Sapley.

MARCH.

John, born April 17, 1788, parents, Nathaniel and Juliana Phillips.

Mary, born December 12, 1788; baptised 15th, parents, Peter Walraven and Ann.

Martha, born . . , baptised 15th, parents, English people.

Joseph Stedham, born October 22nd, 1788, parents, Lukas and and Cathrine Wallraven.

APRIL.

Charles, born . . ,baptised 5th, parents, Charles Paulson.

MAY.

William, born . . parents, John Cockshott.

William Hance, born August 11th, parents Hance and Mary Naff.

JUNE.

John, born . . , parents, John and Sarah Springer.

Peter, born February 18th, baptised 3d, parents, Peter and Cath rine Derickson.

JULY.

William, born July, 1787, . . , parents, John and Mary Morris,

Elizabeth illegitimate, born March 31st, parents Sarah Hull.

Robert, . . , sick child belonging to some poor Irish people.

Samuel, born . . , parents, Isaac Crawford and . .

AUGUST.

William, born . . parents, Wm. and Anna Cathrine Sharpe.

Mary, 6 years old, baptised 24th, parents, Thomas Smith and . .

John, 3 years old, baptised 24th, parents Thomas Smith and . . ,

Johanna, 1 year and 2 months old, baptised 24th, parents, Thomas Smith and . .

SEPTEMBER.

John, born Septemeer 12, 1788, baptised 13th, parents, John and Elenor Rogers.

OCTOBER.

Charles, born May 29th, 1788, baptised 3rd, parents, Charles and Francis Ford.

Isaac, born August 7th, baptised 8th, parents, Isaac and Elizabeth Crawford

John, born May 25, 1788, baptised 12th, parents, John and Sarah Paulson.

Susanna, born . . . baptised 13th, parents, John Brindley and . .

NOVEMBER.

Ann, born October 1st, baptised . . . parents, Thomas and Mary Gun.

DECEMBER.

Joseph, born . baptised 6th, parents, Levi Springer and . .

Cathrine, October 22, 1788, baptised 13th, Peter and Mary Henry.

ANNO 1790.

JANUARY.

Joseph, born October 23, 1789, baptised 3rd, parents, John and Sarah Wood.

Isaac, born August 2nd, baptised 7th, parents, Charles Gransam and . .

FEBRUARY.

Rebecc, illegitimate, born February 14th, baptised 8th, parents, Thomas Westby and Mary.

Susanna, born October 4, 1789, baptised 13th, parents, John and Elizabeth Vining.

Jacob, born . . . six weeks old, baptised 19th, parents, Jonas Stidham, Jr. and . . .

APRIL.

Ann, born . . . baptised 4th, parents, Ray . . .

John, born . . . baptised 6th, parents, John Aul and . .

Rebecca, born December 21, 1789, baptised 8th, parents, John and Elenor Brynberg.

Thomas, born February 9th, baptised 8th, parents, Richard and Margret Runnels.

Robert, born January 31st, baptised 25th, parents, Thomas and Ann Cole.

MAY.

Isaac, born March 12th, baptised 13th, parents Jacob and Mary Anderson.

Susanna, born . . . baptised 19th, parents, Daniel Janifer Adams and . . .

JUNE.

Mary, born January 1, 1784,

Jesse, born August 1, 1789,

Baptised 29th, parents, James and Rachel Husband.

JULY.

Arthur Robinson, born June 10th, baptised 17th, parents, John Mary Cockshott.

Isaac Barrows, born April 1, 1788, baptised 22nd, parents, John and Isabella Bell.

John, born May 23rd, baptised 26th, parents, John and Elizabeth Justis.

Charles Jacob, born July 1st, at 8 o'clock P. M., parents, Lawrence Girelius. D. D., Rector of this Church and Commissary of the Swedish Churches in America; mother, Christina Girelius, whose maiden name was Lidenius, daughter of John Abraham Lidenius, formerly Rector of Racoon and Pennsneck congregations, in New Jersey, where he was born, about the year 1714 or 1715, and grand-daughter of Abraham Lidenius the elder, the first minister in Jersey who came in from Sweden, A. D. 1712, and returned to Sweden 1724, where he became Dean of Turnes, in Finland; baptised the 29th by Rev. Dr. Charles Henry Wharton.

SEPTEMBER.

Elizabeth, born June 12th, baptised 19th, parents, John and Elizabeth Stilley.

Marianna, born Angust 23d, baptised 26th, parents, John and Jane Barnard.

OCTOBER.

Mary, born September 5th, baptised 24th, parents, Samuel and Jane Burnet.

NOVEMBER.

George, born May 25th, baptised 19th, parents, David and Elizabeth Bush.

Alexander William Sperey, illegitimate, born October 2d, baptised 23d, parents, John Quam and Mary Sperey.

DECEMBER.

Mary, born November 1st, baptised 5th, parents, Hance and Mary Naff.

ANNO 1791.

JANUARY.

George, born April 10, 1788, baptised 3d, parents, Morton and Sarah Morton.

Samuel, born October 28, 1790, baptised 3d, parents, Morton and Sarah Morton.

Peter Harden's child, baptised 23d.

MARCH.

Cornelius, born December 29, 1790, baptised 3d, parents, John and Rebecca Springer.

APRIL.

Joseph, born December 10, 1789, baptised 6th, parents, Garrit and Elizabeth Lawrence.

John Wants, a negro, 50 years old, baptised 11th.

William Runnels, born ——, baptised in the Church Sunday before Easter, April 17th.

Willam Dushane, born June 13, 1790, parents, James and Mary Eves.

Thomas Runnels, born . . . , brother of William Runnels, baptized 22d.

Mary, born . . . , baptized 27th, parents, Wiclean and Rebecca.

George, born September 5, 1789, parents, George and Unity Johnson.

William, born March 31st, parents, Richard and Margret Runnels.

MAY.

Mary, born November 5, 1790, parents, John and Persina Vandever.

Isaac, born April 6th, baptized 5th, parents, John and Hanna Flin.

Jacob Pierce, born June 7, 1786,

Rachel Maria, born July 20, 1788,

Lavinia, born May 12, 1790,

Baptized 6th, parents, Jacob and Rachel Broom.

Rachel, born October 2, 1790, baptized 7th, parents, Isaac and Mary Stidham.

John, born September 21, 1792, baptized some short time after by the Rev. Dr. Wharton, Dr. Girelius being gone, and now recorded by Rev. Mr. Clarkson at the desire of the parents, who are Hance Naff, Jr., and Mary.

Elizabeth C., daughter of John and Margret Welch, baptized in infancy by Rev. Dr. Wharton.

A RECORD OF BAPTISMS, CONTINUED, BY JOSEPH CLARKSON, FROM THE 25TH OF SEPTEMBER, 1792, TO THE END OF THE YEAR.

Charles, born August 11, 1792, baptized October 11th, parents, Aaron and Sarah Justice.

John, baptized November 17, 1792, parents, Francis and . . . . . Lafferty.

Thomas, born November 4, 1792, baptized 19th, parents, John and Jane Quandrill.

Sarah, born . . . , baptized November 19, 1792, parents, Moses and Sarah McComb.

Gerardus, born October 13, 1792, baptized November 25th, parents, Joseph and Grace Clarkson.

Anna, born August 5, 1787, baptized December 2, 1792, parents, William and Margret Armar.

Jacob Peter, born September 23, 1792, baptized December 2th, parents, John and Rebecca Springer.

Peter, born October 2, 1792, baptised December 13th, parents, Cope and Mary Anderson.

1793.

Mary, born May 4, 1792, baptised January 11th, parents, James and Mary Springer.

Rebecca, born August 9, 1792, baptised January 13th, parents, Francis and Elizabeth Dunlap.

Joseph, born January 1, 1791, baptised January 4, parents, Ann Lewis.

Thomas, born July 22, 1791, baptised January 15th, parents, John and Mary West.

Rebecca, born January 14, 1793, baptised March 10th, parents, John and Parthena Vandever.

Ann, born November 2, 1792, baptised January 15th, parents, John and Mary West.

Marian, born March 3, 1793, baptised 25th, parents, Alexander and Jane McKitrick.

Susanna, baptised April 10, 1793,

Mary, baptised April 11th,

Parents, Alexander and Sarah Harvey.

George, born January 31, 1793, baptised May 12, parents, Levi and Mary Wallraven.

Elizabeth, born September 23, 1792, baptised June 9, 1793, parents, David and Elizabeth Bush.

William Murdock, William Hemphill and John Mass, three young men baptised in the church July 21, 1793.

John, born October 1, 1792, baptised July 21, 1793, parents, John and Rachel Robinett.

Thomas, born . . . , baptised July 21, 1793, in the church, from St. James' Church.

Nicholas Way, born . . . , baptised July 22, 1793, parents, Jacob and Rachel Broom.

Elizabeth, born December 17, 1789, baptized in Philadelphia by Dr. Blacwell with private baptism when sick, received into this church July 28, 1793, parents, Michael and Elizabeth Key.

Michael, born January 16, 1792, baptised July 28, 1793, parents, Michael and Elizabeth Key.

Thomas, born November 5, 1792, baptised August 4, 1793, parents, Thomas and Mary Gunn.

Elizabeth, born February 19, 1793, baptised August . . . , parents, Nathaniel and Juliana Philips.

Jane, born July 8, 1793, baptised August 5th, James and Mary Eves.

Margaret, born . . . , baptised August 8th, parents, . . . Kelley.

Sabina, born April 10, 1792, baptised August 12th, parents, . . . Ann Taylor.

James, born May 28, 1793, baptised August 11th, parents, Jacob and Henry Morgan (negroes).

Henry, a black child belonging to Widow Thomas, of Easton, Md., baptised February 17, 1793, mother's name Phillis . . . .

Ann, born August 8, 1790,

Susanna, born December 8, 1793,

Baptised August 15th, parents, Andrew and Elizabeth Lyons. Dutch people.

Isabella, born September 4, 1792, baptised August 17th, parents, Michael Wolf, Jr., and Elizabeth.

Rebecca, born July 18, 1793, baptised August 19th, parents, Peter and Rebecca Harding.

Elizabeth, born April 27, 1786,

Ann, born March 25, 1790,

Sarah and Aimey, born May 15, 1793,

Baptised September 14th, parents, John and Hannah Nicholas.

Richard, born September 13, 1793, baptised 20th, parents, Jacob and Deborah Robinson.

Zacharias, born June 12, 1793, baptised October 2th, parents, Zacharias and Sarah Derickson.

Margaret, born September 17, 1793, baptised October 7th, parents, George and Sarah Mills.

Williams, born August 31, 1793, baptised October 7th, parents, Peter and Elizabeth Stidham.

Ann, born September 6, 1793, baptised October 7th, parents, Margret Gillin Irish Woman.

David, born . . . baptised October 13th, parents, Jesse and and Margret Pierce.

Ann, born October 18, 1793, baptised October 31st, parents, John and Cathrine Duffy, Irish.

Susan, born June 3, 1792, baptised November 8th, parents, Jonas and Ingeber Stidham, Jr.

Hannah Nicholas, Rachel Dresser; two married women who had been brought up among Quakers, but who, when they came to think for themselves, preferred an outward visible form in baptism to the ideal mode of the Quakers. They were both publicly baptised in church on 17th day of November, 1793.

George, born . . . baptised December 8th, parents, John and Ann Oliver.

Barbary and George, born . . . baptised December 8th, parents, Arthur and Rebecca French.

John, born . . . baptised December 10th, parents, . . .

James, born November 25, 1793, baptised December 16, 1793, parents, . . .

James, born February 27, 1794, baptised February 28, 1794, parents, . . .

George, born February 3, 1794, baptised February 28, 1794, parents, . . .

Margret, born February 16, 1794, baptised February 28, 1794, parents, . . .

Benjamin, born . . son of Capt. Joseph Stidham, deceased, about 17 years of age; baptised March 21, 1794.

William, born July 20, 1793, baptised March 30, 1794.

Alexander, born February 3, 1794, baptised April 7, 1794, parents, Alexander and Sarah Harvey.

Betty Vandever and Jacob her son, wife and child of Peter Vandever vestry-man, baptised September 1, 1792, by Rev. Mr. Turner before I came here, though never entered before.

Peter, born March 13, 1794, baptised April 11, 1794, parents, Peter and Betty Vandever.

1794.

Swain and Morton, born April 12, 1794, baptised April 23rd, parents, Aaron and Sarah Justice.

John, born March 15, 1794, baptised May 4th, parents, Moses and Lettice Hanlin.

Elizabeth, born . . . baptised May 5, 1794, parents, Capt. Andrew and Jane Morris.

David, born January 7, 1790, baptised May 6, 1794, parents, John and Rebecca Patterson from St. James.

Margret, born April 25, 1792, baptised May 6, 1794, parents, John and Rebecca Petterson, from St. James.

Mary, born May 15, 1794, baptised June 22, 1794, parents, Thomas and Margret Cartmell.

Mary Ellison, born June 9, 1794, baptised July 3rd, parents, Abraham and Elizabeth Broom.

William, born May 21, 1794, baptised July 10, 1794, parents, Hance and Mary Naff.

Cathrine, born February 5, 1794, baptised July 28, 1794, parents, Isaac and Mary Morton.

Hugh, born September 25, 1793, baptised August 4, 1794, parents, Edward and Sarah McGonagill.

Rachel, born July 8, 1794, baptised August 17, 1794, parents, Levi and Rebecca Springer.

Ann, born . . . baptised September 8, 1794, parents, John Vandever Jr. and Alse.

John, born November 25, 1792, baptised September 8, 1794, parents, Garret and Elizabeth Lawrence.

Samuel, born December 14, 1793, baptised September 9, 1794, parents, David and Sarah Shutterly.

Michael, born August 8, 1794, baptised September 11th, parents, Michael and Jane Morrow.

Elizabeth, born August 4, 1794, baptised September 12th, parents, John and Hannah, Flin.

John, born December 19th, 1792, baptised September 22, 1794, parents, ... Watson.

Elizabeth, born April 13, 1794, baptised October 12th, parents, Benjamin and Susanna Elliott.

George, born June 29, 1794, baptised October 25th, parents, Richard and Margret Reynolds.

Stewart, born August 18, 1794, baptised October 25th, parents, Robert and Cathrine Henderson.

Eleanor, born August 21, 1794, baptised October 25th, parents, Irish people.

Mary, born February 2, 1794, baptised November 16, 1794, parents, George and Sophia Beatty,

James, illegitimate born September 14, 1793, baptised November 22, 1794, parents, Mildred Gorral and James Booth.

William Henry, born August 14, 1794, baptised November 23rd, parents, John and Mary Vining.

Robert, born ——, baptised December 23, 1794, parents, William and Ann Sharp.

John Paxton, born April 2, 1794, baptised March 2, 1795, parents, George and Elizabeth Hawkins.

Cornelius, born November 20, 1794, baptised March 3, 1795, parents, Peter and Elizabeth Stedham.

James, born July 5, 1794, baptised November 2d, parents, John and Mary West.

1795.

Thomas Hanson Bellach, born February 20, 1794, baptised March 11, 1795, parents, Daniel Jennifer and Ann Adams.

Maria, born August 12, 1794, baptised March 22, 1795, parents, John and Rachel Dresser.

Julian, born November 23, 1794, baptised April 6, 1795, parents, Nathaniel and Juliana Phillips.

Catharine, born January 24, 1795, baptised April 8th, parents, Margret Craig and Charles Hill.

Anna, born November 27, 1794, baptised April 21, 1795, parents, John and Elenor Brynberg.

Ingabar, born . . . , baptised May 30, 1795, parents, Jonas Stedham Jr., and Ingaber.

Charles, born April 25, 1795, baptised June 20th, parents, Benjamin and Mary Rumsey.

James, born August 25, 1794, baptised July 9, 1795, parents, Christopher and Rosina Smith.

Esther Cox, born June 3, 1795, baptised July 19th, by Rev. Robert Clay in the Church ; parents, Joseph and Rachel Clarkson.

James, born February 12, 1795, baptised July 29th, parents, John and Ann Gordon, Irish people.

Stephen, born August 19, 1795, baptised September 4, 1795, parents, Abraham and Elizabeth Eves.

Sarah, born August 12, 1795, baptised September 4, 1795, parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grey.

Jacob, born June 16, 1795, baptised September 6th, parents, Jacob Colesberry, Jr., and Margret.

Rachel, born . . . , baptised September 20th, parents, John and Rachel Robinett.

John Clark, born August 14, 1794, baptised September 20, 1795, parents, Samuel and Elizabeth Boots.

Cathrine McBriarty, born October 13, 1779, baptised September 20, 1795, orphan.

Mary, born May 6, 1795, baptised October 11th, parents, John and Sarah German, from St. James'.

George, born September 28, 1795, baptised October 16th, parents, George and Sarah Mills.

James Lewis, born March 28, 1795, baptised October 16th, parents, Richard and Patience Grimes.

Cathrine, born September 12, 1795, baptised October 25th, parents, Richard and Tilly Thompson.

Henry Pearce, born December 31, 1793, baptised November 5, 1795, parents, Joseph and Mary Capelle.

Catharine Garretson, wife of Peter Garretson, born August, 2, 1770, baptised November 8, 1795.

Henry, born March 14, 1795, baptised November 8th, parents, Peter and Cathrine Garretson.

John Price, born October 14, 1794, baptised November 12, 1795, parents, David and Elizabeth Bush.

John, born July 23, 1791, baptized September 3rd, 1795, parents, Isaac and Elizabeth Crawford.

Sarah, born November 23, 1793, baptized September 3, 1795, parents, Isaac and Elizabeth Crawford.

1796.

John, born November 5, 1795, baptized January 20, 1796, parents, Hugh and Wilhelmina McCulloch.

Alce, wife of John Vandever, Jr., about 31 years of age, baptized January 24, 1796.

John, born November 23, 1794, baptized January 24, 1796, parents, Alce and John Vandever.

Alce, born January 15, 1796, baptized January 24, 1796, parents, Alce and John Vandever.

The following six children of John and Alce Vandever, were baptized by the Rev. Dr. Wharton at different times, but were

never entered on the church books, which I am now desired to do.

Rebecca, born March 17, 1785.

Tobias, born December 1, 1786.

Jane, born March 9, 1788.

Thomas, born August 14, 1789.

Mary, born November 16, 1790.

Sarah, born April 13, 1792.

William, born November 6, 1794, baptized January 25, 1796, parents, John and Rebecca Elliott.

Sarah, born March 11, 1795, baptized January 25, 1796, parents, John and Margret Welsh.

Margaret, born May 25, 1795, baptized February 7, 1796, parents, Jacob and Henry Morgan, negroes.

Ann, born December 28, 1795, baptized March 11, 1796, parents, Jacob and Christiana Justice.

Margret Heath, born July 31, 1796, baptized March 20th, parents, Hance and Mary Naff.

Jesse, born . . . , baptized April 3, 1796, parents, Levi and Mary Walraven.

James, born . . . , baptized April 3, 1796, parents, George and Unity Johnson.

Margret, born March 25, 1796, baptized April 12th, parents, Andrew and Isabella Lindsey.

Priscilla, born January 3, 1796, baptized May 1, 1796, parents, Isaac and Elizabeth Crawford.

James, born December 10, 1793, baptized May 11, 1796, parents, Dr. James and Elizabeth Sykes.

William Ennalls, born January 22, 1796, baptized May 11, 1796, parents, Dr. James and Elizabeth Sykes.

Sarah, born March 4, 1796, baptized May 17, parents, David and Sarah Shutterly.

Sarah, born April 14, 1796, baptized May 24th, parents, Joseph and Catharine Wallin.

Robert Till, about 36 years of age,
Jane, his wife, about 32 years of age,
Mary, born July 2, 1791,
Elizabeth, born March 21, 1793,
Ann, born February 1, 1796,

Two black people, free, and their children, baptized May 28, 1796.

John Justa, born Mary 12, 1796, baptized June 2d, parents, John and Mary Wallraven.

Cathrine.
Anne.
Ann.
Catharine, born September 18, 1789,
Lavianah, born January 30, 1793,
Sarah, born February 19, 1795,

Baptized June 26, 1796, parents, Jeremiah and Mary Springer.

Bishop, born . . . , baptised September 11, 1796, parents Peter and Betty Vandever.

Rhoda Coram, widow of Robert Coram, born February, 1768, baptized September 19, 1796, with her three children as follows:

John Robert, born March 4, 1891,
Ann, born July 9, 1793,
Elizabeth, born March 23, 1796,

Baptized September, 19, 1796.

Lydia Ann, born November 22, 1792,
Elizabeth Mary, born May 1, 1795,

Baptized September 19, 1796, parents, Henry and Mary Pepper.

Simon, born February 25, 1793,
Margret, born February 20, 1796,

Baptized September 25, 1796, parents, John and Margret Foote.

Lewis, born February 5, 1789,
John, born July 20, 1790,

Baptized by Rev. Robert Clay, parents, John and Margret Foote.

Mary, born October 12, 1791,
Jane, born December 19, 1793,
Samuel, born February 18, 1795,
Robert, born June 18, 1796,

Baptized September 29, 1796, parents, James and Margret Welsh.

James, born September 3, 1796, baptized September 30, 1796, parents, James and Mary Eves.

Sarah, born March 25, 1796, baptized October 2, 1796, parents, Richard and Margret Reynolds.

George, born September 27, 1796, baptized October 10th, parents, George and Sarah Mills.

James, born July 19, 1791, baptized October 23, 1796, parents, James, and Margret Goodfellow, in St. James' Church.

Mary, born December 1, 1793, baptized October 25th, parents, . . . Mary Thompson, in St. James' Church.

Martin, born July 21, 1796, baptized October 25th, parents, Martin and Mary Connor.

Abraham and Elizabeth, born October 4, 1796, baptized October 27th, parents, Abraham and Elizabeth Eves.

John, born September 27, 1796, baptized November 3d, parents, John and Hannah Fling.

Joseph Webb, born April 6, 1760, baptized November 4, 1796.

Rachel, born August 10, 1786, baptized November 4, 1796, parents, John and Margret Reed.

John, born 1796, baptized November 18, 1796. The mother a young black wench belonging to widow Rumsey, father, John Hill, a mulatto.

Elizabeth, born July 5, 1796, baptized November, 30th, parents, Rees and Mary Springer.

Sarah, born September 13, 1793, baptized December 13, 1796, parents, Benjamin and Ann Burrell.

1797.

Catharine, born July 25, 1796, baptized January 1, 1797, parents, Jacob Colesbury, Jr,, and Margret.

Eliza, illegitimate, December 7, 1796, baptized January 11, 1797, parents, Savoy James Ross.

John, born September 27, 1796, baptized January 20, 1797, parents, Henry and Rachel Sinex.

Margret, born February 3, 1777,

James, born March 1, 1779,

Mary, born . .

William, born January 2, 1783,

Hannah, born January 3, 1785,

Jacob, born January 19, 1789,

John, born February 2, 1792,

Ann, born December 19, 1796,

Baptized January 28, 1797, parents, John and Hannah Welch.

Thomas, born May 25, 1796, baptized January 28, 1797, parents, Christopher and Rosina Smith.

Thomas, born November 13, 1796, baptized February 26th, 1797, parents, Thomas and Margret Cartmell.

Mary, born July 4, 1776, baptized August 4, . .

Isaac, born November 8, 1780, baptized January 1, 1781,

Catharine, born July 24, 1785, baptized May 24, 1786,

Gustavas, born May 5, 1792, baptized June 4th,

parents, Jacob and Christiana Justice or Justison.

Orpah, born July 1, 1791, baptised March 4, 1797, parents, George and Mary Dunn.

Marian, born February 20, 1794, baptised March 4, 1797, parents, George and Mary Dunn.

Nathaniel, born October 8, 1795, baptised March 4, 1797, parents, George and Mary Dunn.

Christiana, born March 1, 1797, baptised March 12th, parents, John and Cathrine Peden.

Judy, born . . , a black woman in my family, about 48 years of age, baptised March 9, 1797.

William, born February 6, 1797, baptised April 2, 1797 parents, Robert and Jane Till.

William, born May 2, 1796, baptised April 4, 1797, parents, Josias and Jane Thompson.

William, born February 8, 1797, baptised May 7, 1797, parents, John and Jane Bernard.

William, born January 16, 1796, baptised 14th, parents, Richard and Mary Edgington.

Thomas, born April 24, 1788, baptised June 5, 1797, parents, Wm. and Mary Smith.

Joseph, born January 14, 1790, baptised June 5, 1797, parents, Wm. and Mary Smith.

Margaret, born March 3, 1792, baptised June 5, 1797, parents, Wm. and Mary Smith.

Rebecca, born September 21, 1795, baptised June 5, 1797, parents, Wm. and Mary Smith,

George, born January 5, 1797, baptised June 5, 1797, parents, Samuel and Mary Harris.

John, born January 1, 1797, baptised June 26th, parents, James and Hannah Smith.

Isaac, born April 23, 1796, baptised June 28, 1797, parents, Alexander and Sarah Harvey.

Samuel, born July 18, 1796, baptised July 12, 1797, parents, John and Mary West.

Charles, born June 19, 1797, baptised July 23, 1797, parents, Levi and Rebecca Springer.

Abner, born March 29, 1797, baptised July 30, 1797, parents, Aaron and Sarah Justice.

Eleanor, born September 27, 1793, baptised August, 1797, parents, Richard and Patience Graham.

Sarah, born April 10, 1797, baptised August, 1797, parents, Richard and Patience Graham.

George born March 28, 1796, baptised August 3, 1797, parents, Robert and Catharine Henderson.

Hugh, born June 25, 1797, baptised August 3, 1797, parents, Thomas and Eliza Gifford.

Jane, born July 12, 1797, at sea, baptised August 3, 1797, parents, Matthew and Eleanor Smith.

William, born July 22, 1797, baptised August 3, 1797, parents, Robert and Mary Lennon.

Elias, born June 11, 1797, baptised . . , illegitimate.

Elizabeth born September 20, 1794, baptised September 3, 1797, parents, Thomas and Ann Cole.

Thomas, born June 7, 1797, baptised September 3, 1797, parents Thomas and Ann Cole.

Catharine, born February 27, 1797, baptised October 6, 1797, parents, Lucas and Catharine Wallraven.

Elizabeth, born June 21, 1797, baptised October 31, 1797, parents, Thomas and Ann Bard.

Henry, born September 13, 1797, baptised November 12th, parents, James and Ann Johnston.

Thomas, born May 15, 1797, baptised November 26th, parents, Jacob and Henry Morgan, black people.

Harriot Rumsey, born October 4, 1797, baptised November 26th, parents, Joseph and Grace Clarkson.

Mary, born October 19, 1797, baptised December 3, 1797; parents, Jacob and Margret Colesberry.

ANNO 1798.

Thomas Rumsey, born December 8, 1797, baptised January 8, 1798, parents, Abraham and Elizabeth Broom.

Candice, born October 3, 1779,

Eunice, born May 7, 1782,

Orpah, born August 2, 1785,

Sarah, born November 24, 1787,

Baptised January 15, 1798, parents, Joseph and Susanna Jackson.

Phillip, born November 19, 1793,

Maria, born February 29, 1796,

William, born October 4, 1797,

Baptised January 15, 1798, parents, Joseph and Catharine Jackson.

Samuel, born December 2d, 1797, baptised February 10, 1798, parents, James and Jane Battersby.

Mary, born June 3, 1793,

Sarah, born April 17, 1795,

George, born April 28, 1797,

Baptised March 6th, 1778, parents, George and Ann Cartmell.

Elizabeth, born November 4, 1797, baptised March 6, 1798, parents, Jacob and Susannah Dick.

These last four grandchildren of William Perkins.

John Harp, born February 13, 1798, baptised March 23d, parents, Jacob and Rachel Morton.

David, born February 6, 1798, baptised April 9th, May 7, 1798, David and Elizabeth Bush.

Isabella and Staton, born December 19, 1796, baptised May 7, 1798, parents Joshua and Susanna Jefferies.

David, born October 12, 1797, baptised May 9, 1798, parents, David and Sarah Shutterly.

Sarah Windsor, born September 5th, 1796,

John, born March 29, 1798,

Baptised June 3, 1798, at St. James, parents, John and Rachel Robinson.

William, born January 17, 1795,

Reuben, born April 27, 1798,

Baptised June 18, 1798, parents, Esau and Rebecca Sharpley.

Eleanor, born January 27, 1794,

Thomas, born October 27, 1796,

Baptised June 24, 1798, parents; James and Eleanor Ray.

Rebecca, born March 29, 1797, baptised July 18, 1798, parents, William and Nancy Sinex.

Elizabeth, born May 24, 1798, baptised July 22, parents, Zachariah and Susanna Derrickson.

Sarah, born January 1, 1798, baptized July 29, parents, Thomas and Isabel McGloghlin.

John, born February 8, 1793,

Alice, born October 8, 1795,

Baptised August 9, 1798, parents, Thomas and Alice Harris.

William Henry, born September 25, 1793,

Margret Eliza, born November 25, 1797,

Baptized August 10, 1798, parents, Tristram and Susanna Thomas.

John, born November 8, 1797, baptized August 23, 1798, parents, John and Sarah Stille.

Mary, born January 31st,

Peter, born February 1st,

Baptized August 23, 1798, parents, Richard and Margret Reynolds.

John, born September 1, 1797, baptized September 3, 1798, parents, John and Rachel Robinett,

James, born October 3, 1797, baptized September 3, 1798, parents, Hugh and Wilhelmina McCulloch.

Esther Serena, born September 29, 1797, baptized October 7, 1798, parents, James and Mary Chestnut.

John, born July 21, 1798, baptized November 11, 1798, in St. James' Church, parents, James and Margret Goodfellow.

James, born September 24, 1798, baptized November 22, 1798, parents, James and Hannah Smith.

Johanna, born November 20, 1798, baptized November 27, 1798, parents, George and Sarah Mills.

Charlotte Mary, born August 16, 1798, baptized December 2, 1798, parents, John Baptist and Ann Orson.

Martha, born . . . , 1798, baptized December 2, 1798, December 2, 1798, also a black child.

Mary Ann, born March 30, 1793,

Benjamin John, born September 25, 1795,

Baptised December 6, 1798, parents, Benjamin and Ann Holmes.

John, born October 9, 1796,

Susan, born October 2, 1798,

Baptized December 25, 1798, parents, James and Sarah McClure.

James, born August 15, 1798, baptized December 31, 1798, parents, James and Mary Eves.

Charles Havens, born September 4, 1798, baptized January 17, 1799, parents, Wm. Chadwick, son of Charles and Catharine, maiden name Oyen.

Arquilla, born January 17, 1795, baptized January 20, 1799, parents, John and Mary Nebeckar.

Hannah, born November, 5, 1796, baptized January 20, 1799, parents, Jonas and Ingaber Stedham.

Maria Randolph, born May 11, 1798, baptized February 15, 1799, parents, Roger and Margret McClinchey.

George Washington, born February 1, 1799, baptized February 17, 1799, parents, Thomas and Eleanor Campbell.

Ann, born October 2, 1796,

John, born February 22, 1799,

Baptized March 6, 1799, parents, John and Mary Martin.

Henry Augustus, born June 14, 1793,

Edward Eugene, born November 18, 1795,

Baptized April 22, 1798, parents, Gabriel H. and Frances Ford.

Lewis Dunham, born March 28, 1796, baptized April 22, 1798, parents, Theodorus and Jane Tuthill.

William Alexander, born April 14, 1798,

Sarah . . . . , born August 27, 1796,

Edward . . . . , born February 21, 1794,

Baptized April 22, 1798, parents, William and Hannah Campfield.

ANNO 1799.

Jesse, born June 17, 1798, baptised March 16, 1799, parents, Robert and Jane Till, black people.

Thomas, aged 17 years, baptised October 2, 1798, parents, James and Ann Ogle.

James, aged 14 years, baptised October 2, 1798, parents, James and Ann Ogle.

Martha, aged 10 years, baptised October 2, 1798, parents, James and Ann Ogle.

Patrick, aged 13 years ; Jude, aged 3¼ years ; Michael, aged 13 months, black children belonging to Dr. McMechen, baptised October 2, 1798,

Christopher, born December 31, 1798, baptised April 30, 1799, parents, Christopher and Catharine Smith.

Maria Robinson, born April 15, 1799, baptised May 12th, parents, Aaron and Sarah Justice.

Andrew, born January 5, 1799, baptised May 16, 1799, parents, John and Jane Bernard.

James, born February 10, 1799, baptised May 16, 1799, parents, John and Isabel McCloskey.

Elizabeth, born November 24, 1797, baptised May 16, 1799, parents, William and Ann Vanneman.

Thomas, born October 15, 1796, baptised May 16, 1799, parents, John and Rebecca Elliott.

John, born August 16, 1798, baptised May 16, 1499, parents, John and Rebecca Elliott.

Mary, born March 10, 1799, baptised May 16, 1799, parents, James and Margret Jacks.

Mary, born September 22, 1799, baptised May 16, 1799, parents, Jeremiah and Elizabeth Branhan.

BAPTISMS CONTINUED, 1799, ENTERED BY HANCE NAFF, WARDEN.

Isabella Welsh, born April 7, 1798, baptised April 7, 1799, by Rev. Mr. Wilmer, parents, —— and Ann Burrell.

Maria Ann, born October 9, 1798, baptised April 28, 1799, by Rev. L. Heath, parents, John and Elizabeth Derrickson.

Eliza Ann, born May 17, 1799, baptised June 30, 1799, by Rev. Mr. Wilmer, parents, Hance and Mary Naff.

NOTE.—In the record of Illegitimate children the word alleged is usually found before the name of the reputed father.

1750.

MARRIAGES

BY

ISRAEL ACRELIUS.

(Those designated by a star belong to the congregation. L means license.)

January.

1. Rudolph Sweitman and Margaret Tespene.
8. Andrew Beard and Elizabeth Connnelly.
23. Alexander McCrackon and Abigail Fail.
23. *Jesper Justice and Susanna Hindrickson,
31. Hesekias Hall and Elizabeth Bemaund.

February.

8. John Keys and Mary Grey.
13. *John Seeds and Bridget Andersson.
18. Philip Welch and Alice Kilbreth.
21. Joseph Fourseides and Mary Dimond.

March.

19. James Toben and Ester Smidt.
20. John Wickers and Alice Kyle.
23. John Maxfield and Ann Satton. L
24. Matthew McLaughlin and Ann Han.
27. Wm. Clendinen and Elenor Ellot.
28. John Wooodward and Hannah Brinton. L

April.

10. Cornelius Hart and Margret Tuker.
17. Joseph Ja Quette and Susanna Ja Quette. L
22. John Greenup and Mary Sarenteen.
28. Timothy Bullock and Cathrine Gray.
30. Benjamin Moore and Elizabeth Patton.

May.

7. William Forquher and Jane Noble.
9. Jeremiah Cloud and Lady Harlin. L

9. Wm. McCay and Rebecca Smidt. L
19. John Mirix and Elizabeth Marton.
20. Richard Middleton and Rachel Sukorin.
21. John Boggan and Hannah Grist.
21. John Tate and Mary Dalle.
31. James Reed and Mary Worrilow.
31. Heolas Norris and Mary Donny.

June.

3. Thomas Dean and Hannah Hays.
4. Jacob Jackson and Elizabeth Bollow.
12. Wm. Bradin and Rebecca Bird. L
16. Philip Dale and Mary Parin.
27. John Wills and Elizabeth King.
27. Wm. Ferguson and Jane Allen. L

July.

14. Patrick Coyle and Jane Forquar.
15. George Bate and Tamzin Betts.
17. John Clarke and Mary Willsson.

August.

4. John Young and Ann Cowen.
5. John Pettigrew and Cicely Jones.
6. Wm. Nooks and Hannah Ericks.
7. John Jack and Elizabeth Creithon. L
9. Robert Gilbreth and Jennet Weldin. L
12. Wm. Goodwind and Huldah Garritsson.
21. Gabriel Clark and Margret Newman.
23. Timothy McCheever and Mary Gallion.
27. John Neely and Elizabeth Dean.
28. John Erwin and Lady Rudger. L

September.

3. John Hamilton and Ann Davidsson.
16. Thomas Herbert and Sara Cartmell.
26. *Johan Paulsson and Elizabeth Stedham.
27. Wm. McKey and Martha Peoples.

October.

1. Wm. Odivars and Mary Egen.
2. Robert Berney and Margret Hamilton.
8. James Rowan and Cathrine McGennis.
18. Thomas Adams and Ann Garritsson.

19. William Paulsson and Mary Tremble. L
22. David Dalton and Janna McClasky.
25. Robert Lyon and Mary Crook.
31. James Masters and Susanna Cann.
31. Joseph Perce and Mary Earby.

November.

3. Alexander McKeel and Mary Greer.
7. Benjamin Orin and Elizabeth Sharpe.
11. Mark Cowin and Elizabeth Bell.
12. Justa Justice and Rebecca Hearsson.
14. Thomas Millsson and Martha Way.
19. *Moses White and Marta Hurtehe.

December.

2. Joshua Frost and Ann Linn.
5. Patrick Mullen and Mary Perkins. L
6. Peter Hedge and Elizabeth Seeds. L
11. Charles Hoteman and Cathrine Burns.
12. Ephraim McKilleb and Cathrine Sanderson.
18. Wm. Huston and Margret Burns.
18. *Jonas Stedham and Mary Colesberg.
26. John Campbell and Sarah Bowles.
26. John Stedham and Mary Merryman.
27. Daniel Casnay and Ann Moore. 77

January. 1751.

1. Joseph Jones and Deborah Robinsson. L
1. Adam Sneider and Catharine Breinigern.
4. James Oliver and Cathrine Gordon.
10. James Killen and Anne Duard. L
10. Evan Goss and Hannah Waker.
17. Robert Jackson and Anne McDougle.
22. Justa Walraven and Sarah Wallraven. L
24. Joseph Cloud and Sarah Poile.
30. Isaac Starr and Mary Flower. L
31. Nicholas Moore and Margret Ericks. L

February.

3. Stephen Pyle and Elizabeth Ash.
6. Levy Geogory and Elizabeth Bate.
7. Charles Gordon and Hannah Ward.

7. John Baldwin and Margret York.
21. John Kary and Elizabeth Bisen. L
26. Enos Lewis and Susanna Woodeth.
28. William Bracken and Sarah Garrit. L

March.

1. David Loque and Elizabeth Harlin. L
5. John Fisher and Margret Gubbens.
11. Cain McKinni and Mary Hiery.
19. Abel Bork and Sarah Fowlsand.
25. James Bogges and Margret Sharp.
26. James McGarvay and Leane Pettecrow.

April.

7. John Stewart and Mary McDouel. L
8. Harry McCloski and Margret Monagle.
9. Philip McGowen and Mary Preston.
9. Andrew Justis and Mary Justis, L
10. Samuel Brooks and Mary Colains.
13. Charles Porter and Elizabeth Evenson.. L
17. Thomas McDonald and Mary McCorday.
25. Isaac Barton and Sarah Waldon. L
29. William Hews and Rebecca Gregory. L
29. Francis Graham and Juda Carbre.
29. Zebulon Alexander and Hannah Hodgesson. L

May.

4. Charles Cartay and Elizabeth Porter.
5. Thomas Ganday and Elizabeth Colier.
11. William Stuart and Sarah Downing. L
12. Henry Watson and Mary Haycock. L
13. Patrick Fich Patrick and Mary Patterson.
13. Archibald McCollough and Elizabeth Lawson. L
14. Robert Davis and Jane Latta.
18. Isaac Low and Grace Aclerthon.
19. John Odiorn and Elizabeth Smidt.
20. Patrick McMollholland and Sarah Baller.

June.

1. Andrew Renceer and Aknes Walles.
2. John Coope and Grace Cloud. L
2. Thomas Duff and Jane Williams. L
5. John Springer and Sarah Walraven. L

6. Thomas Mahan and Marta Ball.
25. Andrew Loinan and Sarah Hall.
25. Jacob Andersson and Mary Loinan.

July.

12. James Mundel and Margaret Garrit. L
20. James Pollyk and Margret Hays.
28. Elias Neeld and Sarah Green. L
30. William Blewit and Sarah Garden.

August.

1. Samuel Dixson and Mary Dixson. L
2 Joseph Weldin and Margret Robinson. L
4. Swen Brunberg and Anne Pierce. L
13. John Sadler and Jane Logan. L
21. Edward King and Elizabeth Nicols.
24. John Lean and Jane Howel.
24. Daniel Finnin and Elinor Dougherty.
25. John Williams and Anne Carr.

September.

5. James Kirk and Jane Wessels.
8. Joseph Seeds and Rachel Proctor. L
10. Hans Naff and Cathrina Landsbreck.
12. John Wilson and Margret Sharp. L
12. John Anderson and Elizabeth Orr. L
14. James Foreside and Margret Whede. L
15. Samuel Ronalds and Grace Woods.
19. John Brackin and Cathrina Adams. L
23. John Chevin and Hannah Little.
26. Edward Richards and Margret Hogin. L
26. Andrew James and Cathrine Heinman. L
27. Jacob Bennet and Susanna Born. L

October.

3. Samuel Beaton and Cathrina Walker.
7. John McFarlan and Anne Michel.
8. William Carre and Margret Aspe. L
13. Isaac England and Anne Evans.
13. Peter Hatton and Sarah Poyle. L
14. William Webb and Margret Chartton. L
15. James Hedge and Anne Woods.
21. Alexander Wilson and Anne Floyd.

24. James Humphris and Jane Hill.
24. Patrick Winters and Elinor Peril.
24. James Ewing and Jannet Hall.
24. Swen Justis and Mary Paulsson. L
24. John Lewis and Margret Lampradin.
28. Thomas Orkaner and Mary Dow.
31. Olove Parlin and Elizabeth Tranberg. L

November.

6. Jeremias Collet and Mary Stedham. L
17. James Clements and Elizabeth Spencer.
18. William Ligget and Else Thornberg.
23. Daniel Welsh and Anne Heald.
25. Andrew Crossar and Annable McDowel.

December.

2. John Markhon and Mary Skott.
5. William Van Neman and Johanna Hose. L
9. John McDerry Trussis.
9. Thomas Ball and Sarah Bishop.
10. Robert Carter and Susanna Sorell. L.
12. William Maxwell and Jane Aken. L
20. Andrew Dickie and Elizabeth McDowel. L
21. Edward Dougherty and Anna Cassidy.
23. James McCombs and Else Lattimore. L
26. John Webster and Hannah Way. L
28. William Ramsey and Susanna Wollaston. L

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January.

7. Robert Nilsson and Elizabeth Lenzy.
23. William Boyce and Mary Carter.

February.

6. John Audley and Anne Claesson. L
11. Richard Morrow and Martha Thomsson.
11. Isaac Gibbs and Ingeborg Stedham. L
12. James Burnside and Grizell Bourges.
16. Mathew Harrow and Elizabeth McNeel.
21. Philip Poyle and Hannah Baldwin.
23. John Barber and Elizabeth Quinn.

24. Charles Higsson and Mary Little
27. Adolph Benzel and Rebecca Tranberg. L

March.

8. George Harris and Bule House.
9. William Haughey and Susanna Pettett.
16. Henry Nail and Catharine Mosseth.
17. Fredrick Boom and Rachel Lawson.
17. James McDonald and Rosina Ross.
30. James Hanly and Elizabeth Hossford.

April.

2. Abraham Stroud and Lucretia Ogle. L
5. John Smidt and Jane McNemee.
6. Charles Bradley and Mary Jefreys.
7. Charles Springer and Susanna Seeds. L
9. Charles Springer and Anne Ogle. L
11. Peter Glansey and Mary McNail.
25. Thomas Williams and Mary Nealy.

May.

7. Cloud Lyon and Darkes Warden.
7. John Tossa and Miss Culen.
10. James Allis and Elizabeth McMullon.
10. William Krawker and Margret McKoll.
11. John Gordon and Mary Andrews.
21. Edward King and Marget Justisson.
22. Michal Nelay and Else Flean. L
22. Israel Stalcop and Anne Senex. L
27. Tobias Paulsson and Margret Walraven. L

June.

3. John Delap and Elizabeth Fear.
14. Samuel Rusel and Mary Moore.
18. John Claesson and Mary Hore. L
22. James Leatsh and Sarah Johnston.
22. Davisson Filson and Elinor Clarke. L
25. Chambears Hall and Rebecca Champion. L
25. David Few and Christeen Petersson. L
26. John Carson and Ester Cloud.
30. Perce Pottitt and Brigit Swensson.

July.

13. Alexander Miller and Beata Turner. L

14. John McCoy and Martha Ling.
26. John Hunt and Hannah Jefreys. L
26. Joseph Delap and Mary Barker.
26. Joseph Tull and Sarah Bratton.
31. John Brown and Mary Heth

August.

1. Joshua Speakman and Anne Miller. L
1. Hugh Clark and Martha Jordan
3. Michael Robertsson and Mary Daugherty.
David Dean and Elizabeth Weldin.
Thomas Fling and Mary Flower. L
6. Benjamin Abraham and Elizabeth Goheen.
Edward Couchren and Jemymy Garritsson.
Edward McDonald and Mary Robinson. L
8. William Montgomery and Mary Hall.
17. James Reinhold and Mary Clark.
Edward McSorrly and Mary Cauhoon.
18. Thomas Bennett and Jane Mathers.
20. William Armstrong and Mary Mains.
26. John Isaacs and Rachel Kain.

October.

19. Thomas Swan and Jane Moore. L
27. John Jackson and Cathrine McFersan. L
31. John Nisbith and Hannah Wickerson.

November.

2. William McAllen and Elenor Clerk.
John Piper and Sarah Busbin.
4. Thomas Edmund and Mary Jessrin.
Henry Thomson and Else Cloud. L
John Wilson and Mary Hall.
6. William Evans and Elizabeth Mills.
13. John Harper and Hannah Cloud.
John Harway and Mary Carson.
15. Jesper Walraven and Christina Peterson.
21. Samuel Pennel and Rachel Cobown. L
29. Timothy Karenoss and Cathy Donolly.

December.

5. Archibald Wattson and Prudence Richard.
11. Thomas Gray and Hannah Richardson. L

16. Abraham Yarnall and Elizabeth James. L
17. Edward Robinson and Ingebor Sennex. L
18. James McCulley and Elizabeth Callwele. L
19. George Alcorn and Rose Anne Adger.
27. David Broomal and Mary Taylor.
James Hunter and Sarah Hunter.
John Marshall and Mary Nickland. L

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January.

4. John Huey and Elizabeth Morgan.
6. Wm. Sutton and Sarah Turner. L
7. Hugh Peoples and Abigail Poyle.
10. John Binderman and Jane Cunningham.
12. Thomas Bussington and Mary Harlin. L
14. Wm. Ogglesby and Mary Pierson.
John Bass and Else Boyd.
18. Wm. Peton and Hannah Jones.
19. Joseph Pierce and Jane Hudson. L
25. Philip Fits Somens and Mary McMolland. L
30. George Keeth and Ann Melimon. L

February.

13. Isaac Smidt and Sarah Anderson. L
19. Philip Truax and Sarah Shaw.
26. John Fox and Mary Hamphill.
27. Charles White and Margret Culen.
28. Patrick Mooney and Jane Beard.

March.

27. John McLewy and Lady Richardson.
28. James Alder and Elizabeth McCook.
29. Edward Gillen and Rebecca Garritson.

April.

5. Mardochay Cloud and Roda Richards.
12. Samuel Seeds and Mary Brunberg.
21. James Donnerthy and Agnes Croshy.
23. Wm. Davis and Cathrine Fraid.
30. John Davis and Jane Lauden.

May.

1. David McJennet and Mary Thomas.
9. John Kimler and Margaret Evans.
10. Robert Hebets and Annie Hunter.
13. George Owens and Mary Stephens.
24. Daniel VanCourt and Mary Jackson. L

June.

6. Samuel Barker and Rachel Ball. L
11. James Stewart and Margret Bently.
John Marce and Elizabeth Mandee.
12. Matthew Kelly and Jane Stotts.
14. Hugh Stewart and Faithful Walker.
15. Wm. Horn and Ruth Falkinton.
28. James Koll and Susanna Richards.

July.

14. Jonathan Kirk and Jane Proctor.
16. Nathan Scothorn and Mary Thomas. L
17. Laurentz Mannom and Margaret Nichols.
25. Edward Pilkinton and Margret Casy.
26. Christopher Linn and Rachel Mallawedy.
30. James Raily and Jane Richardson.

August.

12. John Engrum and Rebecca Owen.
. Joseph Hayes and Joanna Pastmore. L
15. John Martin and Anne Carnay.
20. Jeremiah Sulivane and Briget Welch.
21. Joseph Mircer and Jane Swane. L
22. David Pugh and Elizabeth Cloud.
23. Samuel Jaquette and Martha McConnell.
30. John Stedham and Mary Won.

September.

3. Andrew McCaslin and Dorothy Foster.
18. John Davis and Nanze Fisher.
21. Francis Johnson and Elizabeth Philips.
29. Benjamin Fergo and Mary Pyle.

October.

4. Thomas Morten and Sarah Senecce.
Peter Jaquette and Margret Ford.

14. Walter Nugent and Sarah Garitson.
16. Abraham Pike and Elenore Cobern. L.
John Steen and Mary Ford.
21. Charles Justis and Rebecca Robinson. L.
28. Cornelius Waugh and Mary Thomson.

November.

3. Samuel Forard and Mary Hays.
5. Wm. Hwite and Susanna Thornberg.
6. Joseph Rotheram and Lydea Wollaston. L.
22. Eric Smidt and Brigito Andersdotter. L.
25. Adam Grubb and Mary Rossell. L.
Thomas McFadien and Susanna Kirk.

November.

27. George Brinton and Ester Matlock. L.
30. John Willson and Margret Killen. L.

December.

9. Samuel Underwood and Mary Kimber.
11. Joseph McClosky and Agnes Huston.
16. David Derick and Mary January. L.
20. Joseph Inloc and Margret Janes. L.
Joseph Neide and Amalay Bunker. L.
26. John Newbrough and Elinore McClure. 75

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January.

2. Matthew Mayer and Elizabeth Fuldam.
14. James Tully and Nally Holland.
22. Peter Morton and Hannah Richardson.
William Ford and Ann Johnson. L.
24. Joshua North and Susanna Emsson. L.
27. Daniel McLonen and Darkes McGhee. L.
31. John Laurentz and Jane Hamilton.

February.

14. William McKeeson and Elizabeth McPeeck.
17. Joseph McDonald and Elizabeth Oggle. L.
18. John Hargrove and Cathrine Gready.
19. Magnus Justis and Helena Peterson.

March.

8. Archibald Harvey and Cathrine Robinson.

26. John Andrews and Agnes Ewing. L.
30. William Shanklin and Elizabeth Donne.
31. James Collier and Hannah Davis.

April.

2. Hugh Johnson and Eleonor Wilkinson.
William Scaggin and Anne Ratchford.
9. James Barber and Mary Ramsey.
11. John Brock and Mary Moore.
Curtis Grubb and Anne Few.
14. Edward Pain and Margret White. L.
15. Hugh Leach and Jane Forster.
17. Thomas Garritson and Jane Ferris.
18. William Lewis and Anne Montgomery. L.
William Norris and Rebecca White.
29. Joseph Poyl and Ruth Hays.

May.

2. Isaiah Mattock and Mary Hunter. L.
5. Nathaniel Falconer and Sarah Moulder. L.
James Condron and Johanna Allen.
7. William Whetherow and Mary McCloskey.
9. Jacob Richards and Rachel Ruth. L.
William Tunkes and Catharine Cassidy.
Philip Phillips and Barbro Hollingsworth.
12. Thomas Hamilton and Rose Crawssin.
27. John McCalmont and Sarah Latimer. L.
30. James Davis and Patience Bishop.

June.

3. John Chalflint and Else Paul.
James Baxter and Grace Reinolds.
6. Peter Springer and Rebecca Justis.
7. Matthias Peterson and Mary Anderson.
23. George Porter and Rebecca Piloin.
25. John Henderson and Elizabeth Steel. L.
27. Matthias Sullivane and Prudence Gillmore.
29. Thomas Evans and Isabella Poike.
Lin McDermott and Mary Wood.

July.

1. James Vaugh and Catharine McNeil.

4. James Johnson and Mary Grist.
11. David Harris and Elizabeth Springer.
13. Nathan Roberts and Sarah Eastbourn. L.
20. Robert Few and Martha Conally.
31. William Brobson and Judith Dael.

August.

1. Robert Lowry and Elizabeth Bary.
   Joseph Boyd and Mary Robbinson.
4. Johann Ernest Jacobi and Sobina Donderin.
4. John Senece and Anne Robinson. L.
9. John Ebent Steygerwolt and Anne Cathrine Hummin.
14. George Martin and Martha Widdows.
15. Niclas Welch and Ruth Durnel.
17. John Peak and Mary Wencourtlin.
18. Peter Biggeley and Margret Lean.
   James Pillion and Margret Rawson.
19. Hector Alexander and Margret Young.
26. John Roberts and Jane Jeffreys.
   Robert King and Sarah Collans.
28. James Enos and Susanna Van Lewnia.

September.

1. Henry Senecce and Ann Stalcop.
2. George Hollis and Margret Sullivane.
3. John Alexander and Mary Garritson. L
4. William Durnell and Elizabeth Cleaton.
5. John Williams Neering and Sarah Fallow. L
6. Samuel Hewes and Anne Deer.
9. James Collet and Margret Smidt.
   Samuel McJunikins and Anne Bogan.
   John Miller and Anne Thomson.
26. James Camphel and Elenore Lagg.
   John Stille and Elizabeth Ogle. L

October.

7. John Hans Bad and Sarah Hay.
15. Stephen Enos and Rebecca Flemmen.
16. Charles Richardson and Susanna Hayes.
22. William Brooks and Susanna Willey. L
18. John Reese and Elizabeth Ball.
24. William Price and Anne Thomson.

30. John Lockton and Martha Jacquet. L

November.

4. John Hopkin and Rachel David.
Joshua Edwards and Rebecca Ramage.
5. Johnathan Millerson and Anne Mas.
George White and Hannah Welsh.
8. John Powell and Mary Hopes. L
18. William Dixon and Lady Montgomery.

December.

3, James Huston and Jane Ellot.
4. Ferentius Glancy and Elizabeth Collings.
10. James Smidt and Mary Anderson. L
11. Joseph Orin and Abigail Kirck.
19. Robert Shannon and Florenz Grahams. L
John Leshley, and Anne Janey. L
23. James Kelly and Sarah McMolland.
24. Richard Sill and Elizabeth Grissell.
23. James English and Mary Richard.
26. Laurenz McKlayn and Sarah Griffith.
William Whiteted and Sarah Cleaney.
24. Peter Grubb and Jane Ford.
29. William Stedham and Susanna Breadford.

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ANNO 1755.

January.

1. Thomas Clemons and Rebecca Gennes.
2. Thomas Nelly and Sarah Skott.
13. John Campbell and Margret Downing. L
18. William Smidt and Ann Chandelor. L
20. Christopher Cooper and Elizabeth Henry.
21. Barnabas Sweney and Rebecca Massor.

February.

6. John McClintock and Mary Weir.
10. Ezekiel Bullock and Margret Tool.
13. Peter Wincy and Susanna Patton.
17. Henry Flood and Elizabeth Gordon.
John McCarsley and Elizabeth Curry.
24. James Standley and Bridget Collins.

March.

3. William Martin and Bridget Farell.
4. James McGrady and Margret Colluy.
5. James Burnside and Sarah Pryer.
6. John Hensey and Elizabeth Post.
7. Edward Sinwall and Jane Beasley. L
17. Richard White and Mary Naval.
Michael Armstrong and Elenore Daunt.
Daniel Blayr and Mary Price.
20. William Hutchisson and Mary Miller.
31. John McWay and Mary Thornton.
David Cushon and Nanzy Landerum.

April.

1. Isaac Alexander and Jane Ferris.
19. Isaac Clandonnen and Phœbe Nichols. L
22. Stephen Smallwood and Mary Hayle.
John Stuart and Elenore Cook.

May.

9. Johnathan Valentine and Lady Baldwine. L
Oliver Cop and Anne McMath.
Thomas Hutton and Mary Marshall.
13. Samuel Toon and Mriah Williams.
14. Joseph Sharp and Franky Willson. L
16. Moses Burns and Martha Armstrong.
22. Matthew Lindsay and Mary Logg. L
31. Robert Thornberry and Ruth Garrman.

June.

1. James Glasgow and Mary Maffitt. L
7. John Willson and Anne Underwood. L
9. Alexander Long and MargretM orison.
17. Samuel Cleary and Maria Stille. L
William Williams, and Mary Thomson.
26. James Dunning and Sarah Alrich. L
29. Edward Wall and Mary Hayns.
30. William Allen and Mary Patton.

July.

6. Dennis McCassety and Susanna Kingkad.
Philip Cauvenah and Cathrine Moothy. L
Patrick Boyd and Anne George

19. Richard Clayton and Abigail Powell. L
26. John Land and Anne Land.
29. George Adams and Elizabeth Hillis. L
30. Peter Peterson and Martha White. L
Robert Robinson and Elenore Poyl. L
31. Thomas Crawford and Edith Reynolds. L

August.

3. William Henoch and Hannah Leadley.
James Donelly and Grace McLaughlin.
5. Andrew Smidt and Sarah Gregg.
6. Isaac Adams and Marget Kelly.
11. William Trotter and Jane Alexander.
25. William Hunt and Susanna Hutton.
28. John Swine and Elizabeth Dourthy.
31. John Anderson and Mary Peck.

September.

2. James Nethery and Lady Way.
Malcom McNeighs and Martha Kirryr. L
3. William Griffith and Else Grant.
10. Richard Jeffrys and Jeane Logan.
13. William White and Sarah Lytur.
Watkins Crampton and Jeane Morrison.
28. George Avenson and Mary Williamson.
29. Thomas Woods and Mary Martin.
30. John Hemmel and Phœbe Prichet.

October.

5. John Goggin and Lathy McColomay.
9. Samuel Ashmead and Ruth Robinson.
15. John Garrit and Elenore Robinson.
21. Richard Erwin and Elizabeth Sloan.
John Mun and Margret Crassord.
22. Benjamin Hayl and Mary White.
30. John Nebucar and Mary Stilly.

November.

3. Richard Woodward and Abigail Hays.
4. Ulrich Hosteten and Anne Miller.
John Hook and Elizabeth Strawman.
5. William Bracken and Ruth Gregg. L

7. Henry Sauder and Sarah Frey.
John Waters and Sarah Thomson.
20. John Hindrickson and Beata Springer.
29. Benjamin Buffington and Mercy Frisdell.

December.

John Bently and Thamar Bentley.
John Cook and Margret Glaine.
4. James Craig and Prudence Holland. L
6. David Davis and Elizabeth Hughs.
7. Richard Clark and Martha Key.
13. Jacob Criss and Mary Elizabeth Ibond.
17. William Hasselton and Anne Lawler.
26. Henry Webster and Sarah Stedham.
28. Timothy Mahoney and Hannah Reily.
30. John William Skop and Cathrine Knakton.

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ANNO 1756.

January.

1. Michael Decroy and Judith Futhrey.
2. William Anderson and Margret McChever.
3. Stephen Dysurt and Rachel Coswell. L
Matthew Meloy and Anne Hansson.
7. Enoch Dixon and Elizabeth Cloud.
8. Joshuah McDowell and Sarah Singleton. L
Archibald Homes and Elizabeth Land. L
Allen Robenet and Anne Collins.
21. Thomas Haughey and Rose Anna White.
Richard Meneman and Elizabeth Justisson.

February.

3. John McCarlin and Anna Kirgan.
9. Arthur Conolly and Jean Wench.
William Noris and Anne Bowin.
10. John Jones and Mary Morgan. L
23. James Sheward and Rose Erwin. L

March.

3. Joseph Moris and Ester Williams.
4. Nathaniel Davis and Margret Davis.
5. Israel Pewsy and Sarah Newbery.

8. Simon Hadley and Briget Foot. L
17. James McCausland and Jeane Ramage. L
John Headin and Sarah Headon. L
24. Job Ward and Rachel Battin.
28. Francis Mechem and Sarah Underwood.
29. William Ruston and Tacy Sincock.

April.

4. Daniel Evans and Hannah Dillworth.
5. Jacob Taylor and Elizabeth Walter.
Michael Metzger and Barbro Gedlin.
Moris Willims and Ester Jatton.
John Rawson and Anne Grub. L
8. John Register and Hannah Green. L
James Dell and Mary Hutchison.
12. Herman Hoffman and Hannah Miller.
22. Thomas Beeson and Rebecca Kallem.
29. William Cunningham and Mary Weldin. L

May.

3. Henry Law and Unity Ready.
10. Thomas Kellum and Rachel Taylor. L
11. John Bird and Lady Stilley. L
20. Alexander Chestnut and Mary Roial.
26. Caleb Perkins and Cathrine Derickson.
29. Thomas Barlow and Mary Grace.
Joseph Wood and Cathrine Curry.

June.

2. Peter Vander Weer and Mary Vander Weer. L
6. John Redden and Anne Cleane.
7. Robert Broom and Francis Jacobs.
Henry Jones and Anne Morgan. L
9. Isaac Malin and Elizabeth Traygot.
Cornelius Derickson and Mary Van Neaman. L
Wm. McKnight and Margret Jordan.

July.

11. John Harding and Mary Vaneman. L
12. Abel Whitaker and Charity Jeffrys.
26. Joshua Benthley and Susanna Davis. L

August.

1. John Glasky and Elizabeth Gamble. L
3. James Glaskow and Mary Masset. L
8. Moris Justis and Cathrine Senecka. L
   Mardochay Mercer and Abigail Eachey.
22. Joseph Clist and Mary McCahan.
   Thomas Shannan and Johanna Carey,
28. Israel Taylor and Elizabeth Beamond.
29. John Fleming and Elizabeth Bathon.

September.

1. William Foot and Ester Ball. L
   Benjamin Judah and Rebecca Hawerd.
5. Alexander Cummins and Mary Barber. L
12. James Dickie and Cathrine Means. L
14. Andrew Vaneaman and Mary Jones.
21. Benjamin Ford and Margret Derickson. L
28. William Sinclair and Mary Grandy.

October.

2. Joseph Mendinhall and Abigail Hary.
   Thomas Reed and Henrietta Won.
10. William Crowley and Johannah Runnels.
16. Hans Miller and Rachael Paulson.
   James Hannums and Anne Norset.
18. James McBoyd and Elizabeth Buckley.

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ANNO 1756.

William Glackon and Anne Hannah.

November.

4. Jack Williams and Elizabeth Thatcher. L
15. Jonathan Richards and Hannah Dutton.
16. John Ross and Isabell Smith. L
   James Fleming and Jane Henderson. L
20. Calop Hays and Mary Bailey.
22. Michael Plaster and Thamar Hewston.
   John Kay and Elizabeth Smart.

December.

6. Samuel Alexander and Elizabeth Wilson. L
   Joseph Bird and Margreta Rutter.

9. William Longwill and Margreta Glann. L
Patrick Duffee and Christian Barthelson.
27. Kingsman Dutton and Ruth Watson. L
20. George Moor and Esther Dinney.
Wm. Ashton and Mary Emlerer,
Adam Richardson and Jane Karnes.

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ANNO 1757.

January.

6. Jacob Richards and Susanna Wills. L
13. Joseph Parke and Mary Davis. L
20. Richard Few and Jane Chalfin. L
Samuel Floyd and Elizabeth Willson.
31. Thomas Brakin and Martha Machan.

February.

1. Peter Murphy and Margreta O'Neil. L
Thomas Barnet and Martha Derickson.
12. John M'Colly and Mary McCord.
13. John Long and Rebecca Wallace.
21. John Armstrong and Anne Erwin.
22. Edward Maghan and Margreta Welch.
27. Wm. Hebron and Elizabeth Ceane.
26. Wm. Armour and Jane Cann.

March.

7. John Arment and Cathrina Tilly.
17. Samuel Carson and Sarah Wallace.
James Doudle and Martha McCall.
16. John Rushton and Catharina Massen.
19. Joseph Burris and Mary Nickolson.
29. Daniel Ragin and Mary Strong.
John McNamie and Martha Lea.

April.

15. Martin Adams and Elizabeth Stabs.
Owen Evans and Mary Baily.
Wm. English and Martha Miller.

May.

3. James Hames and Anne Hays.

Andrew Mitchell and Phanny Phassath.
28. Robert Scott and Mary Hamilton.

June.

6. Luke Whalley and Mary Pally.
James Camell and Mary Jackson.
13. Caleb Whame and Sara McManumie.
Joseph Wood and Rachel Harris.
James Harris and Rachel Wood.
24. George Martin and Mary Nickols.

July.

4. Edward Brown and Engellest Lowecell.
1. George Elliott and Mary Henry.
5. Wm. Grant and Mary Willson.
19. Thomas Marshall and Susanna Taylor.
John Scott and Margreta Willson.
26. John Dayly and Elsa Voghan.

August.

14. Barnet Miles and Susanna Brownwood.
24. James Dodd and Anne Dodd, not paid.
27. Robert Eachus and Mary Griffith.
28. Eberhardt Heichewald and Susanna Engel.

September.

15. Dennis McKoy and Mary Davis.
15. Samuel McMullon and Agnes McVan.
15. James Hutchison and Margreta Ross.
15. John Kell and Agnes Pharas.
15. John Simons and Rebecca Rolls.

October.

24. Jacob Reily and Mary Miller.
John Red and Salome Danbergin.
Lorance Dahlbo and Cathrine Tussey,
30. John Sparry and Rachel Seeds.

November.

2. Wil Durnell and Margreta Melon.
3. James Hamilton and Elizabeth Carter.
4. Francis Philpot and Mary Murdock.
5. Will Peperall and Elizabeth Tangerin,
John M'Carmack and Sara Hughs.

23. Will Murfy and Jane Morrison.
23. John Woodward and Mary Sharpe. L
Patrick McGlain and Elizabeth Lingin.

December.

3. Solomon Springer and Margreta Kelly.
John Gray and Elizabeth Fox.
14. Wm. Keach and Hannah Bauldin.
Mark Cunningham and Margreta Voghan.

April.

3. Isaac Howell and Mary Harris. L
30. Thomas Hanmun and Sara Bonsel. L

May.

6. Moses Montgomery and Elizabeth Ross. L
30. William Wilson and Jane Canby, L

June.

14. John Dick and Mary Culen. L

August.

1. James Clarke and Frances Hill. L

September.

12. Samuel Thomson and Phœbe Allen. L

October.

Lorance MacManie and Catharina McCassily. L
27. Robert Bratton and Margrete Huston. L

November.

3. Adam Henry Prince and Mary Cloud. L
30. Wm. Ronolds and Rachel Bird. L

May.

25. Emmor Jeffrys and Elizabeth Taylor. L
Benjamin Foot and Mary Robinson. L

November.

25. Charles Willson and Hannah Booner. L
9. David Jackson and Elizabeth Day. L

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ANNO 1758.

January.

9. John Twigg and Mary Philips. L
John Finney and Ruth Lloid.
Thomas Flowers and Prudence Moulders.

February.

4. John Morton and Mary Hogg.
13. Joseph Parkins and Anne Dougharty.
16. James Woodward and Alice Thornburg.
13. Thomas Dutton and Anna Ruth.
13. Wm. Griffith and Cathrina Salvage. L
Jacob Stahlman and Anne Mary Lemmerin.
27. Christopher Majer and Cathrina Burns.

March.

6. James Shearon and Agnes Armstrong.
7. Thomas Hunter and Elizabeth Witherow.
9. John Long and Christian Paulson.
14. Fredrick Carpenter and Anne Lowmake.
10. Hugh Gibson and Jane Grahams.
16. Moses Minor and Mary Broadshaw. L
31. John Toulson and Sarah Richison.

April.

1. Charles Rawlins and Elizabeth Lorce.
John Johnson and Elizabeth Dennis.
Samuel Tally and Margreta Cloud. L
13. David Eckhof and Elizabeth Pyle. L
16. Abraham John on and Mary Oran.
18. Niklas More and Barbara Reading.
19. John Todd and Sarah Lindsay. L
20. Johnathan Groves and Elsa Millikin.
21. John McPeter and Jane Scott. L
25. John McEasie and Briget McLean.
Henry Mannik and Hannah Cook.
26. John Armstrong and Isabella Willson.

May.

1. John Taniers and Prudence Dericks.
3. Jonas Canby any Latischee Pickle.
15. James Duggan and Cathrina Elliott.
16. Robert Edwards and Jane McMichall.
16. James Stevens and Priscilla Jackson.

June.

6. Fredrick Miller and Cathrina Graubein.
8. James Wilson and Mary Wilson.
29. Samuel Paterson and Hannah Clayton.

July.

11. Robert Shillingford and Cathrine Vanlewvanaugh.
25. James Longhead and Cathrine Finney. L
28. Steven Mandenhall and Rebecca M'Collock.

August.

15. Richard More and Elizabeth Smith. L
16. John Howard and Rachel Evans. L
10. Enoch Passmore and Mary Laughnaugh. L

September.

4. Stephen Anderson and Sarah Jackson. L

October.

10. Stephen Hurd and Elizabeth Burns. L
17. John Carter and Anne Whippoe. L
19. William McCullach and Deborah Hope. L
24. John Armstrong and Mary Springer. L
25. Benjamin Nickolson and Mary Ashton. L

November.

4. John Henderson and Mary Chapman. L
4. James Chandler and Elizabeth Ring. L
7. John Johnson and Anne Gay. L
7. William Robeson and Martha Huston. L
23. John Kallum and Hannah Cartmill. L
23. Vincent Gilpon and Abigail Woodward. L

July.

8. Joseph Harway and Ruth Fisher.
Timothy Conley and Anne Gibson.
James Limbur and Elinor Limond.

August.

3. Alexander Carson and Margret Mack.
James James and Elizabeth Owens.
12. John Clyde and Margret Scott.
12. David Alexander and Mary Carter.
13. Philip McLaughlin and Cathrine O'Neal.
14. Abraham Huston and Cathrine Huston.
Eliah Richey and Hannah Ball.
24. Jonas Walraven and Mary Carry.
James Hughs and Jane Ainsworth.
27. Charles Hopkins and Mary Vandavier.

September.

4. Archibald Miller and Jane Boyd.
Joseph Taylor and Cathrine Hendrickson.

October.

12. Benjamin Hartly and Mary Rowen.
John Barnet and Margret Willis.
23. James Shore and Elizabeth Sanders.
25. Adam Andreas and Cathrine Borshorford.

November.

6. Richard Justice and Anne Webster.
12. William Booth and Anne Brilton.
23. John Otlay and Mary Hays.
John Hatton and Rebecca Black.
Joseph Ball and Agnes Adams,
26. Roger McGally and Jane Rimson.

December.

5. John O'Treel and Margret Farmer.
Timothy Williams and Susanna Minor.

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ANNO 1759.

January.

10. William Coles and Phœbe Calamay.
Stephen Maden and Margery Diling.
17. Isaac Roman and Hannah Roman. L
23. Thomas Lasselley and Sarah Thomas. L

February.

1. David Frame and Cathrine Miller. L
27. William Atkins and Martha Buttington.

March

8. Charles McClair and Agnes McRea.
Robert Banefil and Esther Camel.
13. Thomas Bird and Brigitta Seeds. L
25. James Rowan and Elizabeth Connol. L
26. Ludwig Leonard Londgrov and Anne Ernest.
28. John Hendrickson and Mary Justice.
29. George Spence and Sarah Fayette.
James Mills and Johannah Neals.

April.

2. Joseph Passmore and Elizabeth Martin. L
William Turner and Anne Rayl.
John Johns and Thamar Johnson.
6. Henry Christopher and Kennet Dorothea.
7. James Craig and Jane Wetherow.
8. John Nash and Judith Bailly.
12. Benjamin Kallum and Mary Beaton. L
13. James Ramage and Elizabeth More. L
John Ball and Darkeys Springer. L
26. John Druitt and Mary Ingolls. L
28. Abraham Taylor and Rebecca Way. L

May.

Valentine Bullord and Elizabeth Ridnua.
9. John Harper and Phoebe Vernon.
John Martin and Anne Larken.
John Smith and Hannah Otlay. L

June.

2. James Bennet and Jane Henry.

June.

3. John Skelton and Mary Bush.
4. Mathew Wilson and Cathrine Kerson.
7. Stephen Bennet and Margret Buddon.
17. Francis Rock and Mary Pryer. L
19. George Chandler and Jane Connelly.
Abert Skeer and Patience Trevel.
21. Peter Springer and Cathrine Anderson. L
23. William Miller and Sarah Hall. L

July.

2. Evan Morgan and Margret Morgan.
3. Francis McMullon and Margret Gallohun.
9. Edward Taylor and Rebecka McClour.
22. Joseph Satford and Susanna Wooliston.

August.

1. Joseph Buttington and Mary Few. L
John L'Loyd and Mary Moore.
3. Patrick Kelly and Anne Hide.

5. John Crampton and Sarah Barnet.
Peter Gallorhon and Flora Camel.
Alexander Moore and Elizabeth Moore.
6. David Anderson and Agnes Mitchel.
13. John Bell and Mary Straw.
Andrew Rees and Anne Alderwood.
William Cook and Rachel Morgan.
James Underwood and Ester Matson.
9. James Buttington and Mary Blackly.
James Kear and Else Taylor.
21. George Stalker and Sarah Thornburry.
22. George Hall and Phœbe Thomas. L.

July.

30. James Carr and Else Taylor. L.

September.

13. Jacob Dawson and Anne Harvies. L.
16. Thomas Barclay and Mary Chapman. L.
John Elliott and Cloe FitsRandel. L.
Barne Miles and Martha Moore.
8. John Wollarlou and Mary Gray.
26. John Bell and Margret Mayer.
Thomas Williams and Martha Rowland.
Robert Wilson and Mary Wilson.
James Shields and Margret Bently.
Thomas Monks and Mary Mace.
27. James Little and Sarah Laird. L.
28. William Henry and Sarah Ralston. L.
26. Valentine Ofwerdoff and Agnes Pepperell.

October.

16. John Cann and Cathrine James. L.
28. Charles Springer and Margret Springer.
29. Nathan Scuttaron and Hannah Twigg. L.
31. James Gibson and Mary Thomson.

November.

1. Evan Lewis and Margret Davis.
2. German Davis and Sarah Carrigan. L.
5. Michael Murduck and Brigit Springer. L.
William Clark and Anne Bauldin. L.
Christopher Baril and Cathrine Faril.

Joseph Baston and Jannet Barton.
John Lowber and Darkeys Barker. L
Jacob Staahlman and Cathrine Chersherin.
Charles Garra and Anne Saulter.
6. Ezekiel Currey and Elizabeth Brownlees. L
21. Patrick Gamble and Jane Nosette. L
Abraham Springer and Christine Anderson.

ANNO 1760.

January.
1. William Chapman and Elizabeth Bishop.
12. James Wilson and Mary Moore. L
15. Peter Peterson and Abaah Garrison. L
22. William Peoples and Jane Haag.
John Siddon and Jane Robert.
29. Francis McCulley and Susanna Patton.
Friedrich Warner and Rebecca Robeson. L

February.
2. James Hasting and Susanna Justice. L
5. Jacob Stilley, Jr., and Anne French. L
6. John Dixson and Susanna Pryer. L
7. Thomas Wilson and Agnes Young.
25. Joseph Mea and Martha Hill.

March.
3. Mardechay Woodward and Bridgette Knowles.
James Garman and Phœbe Bradford.
6. Lawrence Flinn and Elizabeth Gordon. L
17. William McKea and Sarah Smith.
22. Thomas Allen and Cathrine Vaneman.
24. Robert Adair and Isabel Douglas.
Johnathan Hays and Elizabeth Horlen.
John Gottfried Charley and Anne Mary Reilerin.
Abraham Swange and Alse Pyle.
28. Samuel Heald and Ruth Harlan.
29. Thomas David and Rebecca Long.
Peter Gallohar and Mary Halom.

May.
9. Joseph Cloud and Charity Tally. L

June.
5. Swen Colesburg and Annie Torner. L

26. Joseph Paerce and Beata Grimes. L
27. Andrew Hall and Anna Maxel. L
12. John Webb and Sarah Green. L

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July.

30. Joseph Ball and Hannah Brachin. L
30. John Chalfant and Matire.

August.

4. Matthias Kaler and Anna Euklingen.
5. Hans Peter Harald and Margrete Leana.
14. Samuel Nail and Margrete Brownly.
18. Cornelius McDannel and Cherry Dely.
18. Archibald Grey and Chatrine Clark.
10. Abraham Woodward and Anna Tarnbery.
13. George Thomson and Rachel Lewden. L
20. Aaron Evan and Ruth M'Charson. L
27. Benjamin Pain and Cathrine Gibson.
John Buffington and Annah Clayton.

September.

7. Matthias Martin and Margrete Brown.
22. John Shreve and Delviah Mounsell. L
23. John French and Barbro Jagerin. L

October.

10. Joseph Cloud and Margrete Brady.
23. George Brinton and Christine Hill. L
24. Joseph Chandlor and Elizabeth Forman. L

November.

Joseph Woodward and Rebecca Martin. L
16. Stephen Harris and Sarah Taylor L
24. George Danevan and Elizabeth Rees.
25. Anthony Turnantz and Mary Grimes.
26. Richard Robinson and Sarah Pail L
9. Richard Woodward and Hannah Taylor. L
10. Seth Evanson and Hannah Davis. L

December.

1. Archibald Gardner and Mary Patterson L
16. John Carr and Penelope Hual.
16. Robert Bennet and Elizabeth Garny.

18. Robert Woodcock and Deborah Jonas. L
25. James Harper and Mary Sharp.
26. Andrew Polson and Margrete Robinson. L

ANNO 1761–2. F. F. D. O. M.

January.

Peter Polson and Eleonorah Justis. L
1. James Moy and Sarah Ross.
22. Robert Balden and Hannah Houss.
26. John Scarlet and Mary O'Neal.
26. David Crawford and Mary Harrison.

February.

2. John Bird and Sarah Tossey. L
15. Thomas Davis and Jane Elliott.

March.

10. John Stalcop and Jane Snicker.
30. John Morris and Eleonore Fargegon. L
30. Samuel Way and Elizabeth McClean.

April.

2. Nathaniel Way and Sarah Taylor. L.
21. James Clark and Mary Davis. L

May.

5. John Valentin Wieber and Cathrine Bernhard.
9. Jacob Stedham and Susannah Justisson.
11. Philip Stats and Mary Peterson.
30. Thomas Barnard and Mary Collet. L

June.

11. Henry Janes and Mary Carne. L
11. James Keitly and Elizabeth Duonal.
20. John Ward and Elizabeth McMaghan L

July.

23. Caleb Dicksson and Hannah Gradel.

August.

4. Niclas Hoy and Mary Lampley.
5. James Marcer and Sarah Lyle. L
6, Henry Garritson and Mary Spraig. L
8. Abraham Davis and Lydia Jeffrys. L
25. Benjamin Shadweck and Margret Johnson.
31. Hans Plassart and Annah Genkens. L
John McCutchen and Mary Bogs.

September.

10. James McKnight and Susannah Maxel. L
11. Christopher Gun and Margrete Landerne.
20. Moses Callom and Cathrine Paulson. L

August.

17. Alexander Skalton and Rachel Maris. L

October.

5. Isaac Williams and Elizabeth Durnal. L
6. Isaac Taylor and Susannah Rowles. L
8. George Fryar and Margrete Green.
9. George Martin and Annah Cloud.
17. Joseph Dickson and Eleonore Cammel. L
22. Michael Lightbody and Sarah Langley.
25. George Lewis and Anna Wheighth.
26. Joshua Falke nton and Susannah Persons. L
26. Thomas Marshal and Ursilla Bradley. L

November.

5. William Moore and Elizabeth Moore.
9. Thomas Jonson and Margrete Rarden. L
Samuel Vernon and Elizabeth Hays.
19. William Merchant and Jane Armstrong. L
27. George McDowal and Jane Cartal. L
John Tarbox and Eleonore Stephenson.
30. Thomas Spakman and Jane Wollaston.

December.

11. Samuel Heath and Ruth Barnat.
24. Lewis Purlat and Jane Latymore. L
25. Koheath Hall and Martha Palding.
30. Charles Gallower and Cathrine Crawford.
31. Richard Keallom and Elizabeth Cartmal.

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ANNO 1762.

January.

2. William Groub and Rachel Groub. L
6. Thomas Nicols and Eleonore Butler.
7. James McClaskey and Patience Rouse.
14. Gabriel Springer and Elizabeth Parlin. L
14. Robert Buffington and Elizabeth Martin.
14. John Martin Deaver and Mary Cathrine Celyona.

14. Joseph Taylor and Eleonore Mulay. L
19. Simon Carlin and Elizabeth Naff.
22. Robert Robinson and Sarah Hindrickson. L

February.

4. James Miller and Jane Enklan.
9. Nathan Heald and Rebecca McBride.
19. Joseph Robinet and Annah Taylor. L
18. John Springer and Susannah Springer. L
23. Daniel Cloud and Sarah Walley. L.
24. John Fitz Jarel and Mary Hews.

March.

2. William Stalkop and Margrete Anderson. L
4. John Beazen and Mary Carter. L.
3. Edward Jones and Annah Warl.
2. George Sharp and Abigail Craig. L
9. William Hunt and Latty James. L
13. John Nathary and Mary Lyan.
17. James Moore and Elizabeth Warle.
James Meleehan and Mary Taylor.
18. Melchior Stile and Cathrine Ziegleni.
19. Joseph Park and Margrete Cloud. L

April.

John McKlean and Margrete Hackat.
26. Jacob Graig and Susanna Anderwood.
26. Charles Booth and Jane Whitby.
29. John Starr and Mary Barrans.
29. James Anderson and Martha Elliott. L

May.

6. William Didrickson and Elizabeth Brunberry, L
8. John Harper and Sarah Rowles.
10. Christopher Cromet and Elizabeth Ay.
11. James Firth and Jane Peet.
11. Caleb Stroud and Hannah Hackman. L
21. Joseph Matsson and Gwine Owen.

June.

2. Francis Adams and Elizabeth Clankenhorm.
21. David Rees and Martha Morgan.
23. Joseph Barlow and Annah Chatfin.
23. Richard Allen and Hannah Vaneman.

20. Benjamin Black and Annah Ralson.

July.

1. Neal Curry and Rebeccah Wallis.
1. James Harlon and Dina Davis.
1. Caleb Oanes and Jane Robinson.
18. Elias Jones and Hanna Frikman.

August.

7. John McGuier and Jane Bate.
14. Daniel Kilda and Margrete Brason.
17. William Dilworth and Cathrine Gooden.

September.

1. Alexander Spear and Sarah Tomson.
13. Robert McDonal and Eleonore Powel.
26. Thomas Gibbon and Anna Bealy.
Jesper Bach and Cathrine Sneiker. L

October.

3. James Young and Barbara White. L
5. Thomas Joanes and Margrete Kelly.
Richard Pierce and Lydia Paulson. L
9. James Harry and Margrete Seed.
11. John Pyl and Phœbe Dornal.
14. William Jones and Hannah Eals. L
21. Elisel Sarons and Susanna Stedham. L

November.

4. William Spear and Anna McSooly.
James Smidth and Martha May.

November.

4. David Welly and Annah Stedham. L
4. George Clark and Mary Brooks. L
4. Joseph Steel and Margrete Philips. L
4. William Gray and Mary Coburn. L
11. William Shay and Mary Latimore.
17. William Carlin and Cathrine Johnson.
27. Caleb Way and Rebecca Mendinghall. L
25. Cornelius Hines and Elizabeth Peterson. L

December.

2. Joseph Smidth and Mary Morgan.

22. Adam Ekman and Mary Ryan.
29. Thomas Lesly and Rachel Allen.
23. Wilson Parker and Jane Bratchen.
2. Joseph Loyd and Elizabeth Brown.
22. John Way and Ruth Hallonsworth.
23. Andrew Justis and Anna Garritson.
23. John Husbands and Mary Woolbutt.
30. George Gun and Margrete Miles.

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ANNO 1763. Q. F. F. J. D. O. M,

January.
4. Abraham Cox and Lydia Hendrickson.
11. William Warner and Margery Farron. L
26. George Passmore and Ann Mansell.
28. Tully Davitt and Jane Means.
29. William Armstrong and Rebecka Ervin. L
February.
2. John Jones and Annah Trees,
3. Andrew Peterson and Sarah Ford. L
3. Jacob Hedge and Cathrine Justis. L
14. John Ford and Margret Morgan.
March.
10. Peter Glancy and Jane King.
31. Andrew Vandavar and Annah Cirl. L
April.
4. Ludwig Laybobt and Margrete Black.
February.
3. Jesse McCullough and . . . McPhaerson.
April
18. David Wade and Sarah Wase.
February.
William Beats and Hannah McCafforty.
April.
25. Thomas Hayes and Ruth Jones. L
25. John Robeson and Elizabeth Spencer. L
28. Amor Chandler and Elizabeth Harlen. L
May.
2. Alexander Dick and Christiana Hews. L

4. Harry Gordon and Hannah Meredith. L
9. Roland Burk and Hannah Carter.
9. Thomas Jones and Cathrine Allen.
16. John Barber and Hannah Barns.
16. John Shadd and Jane Williams.
19. Henry Wyna and Susanna Justis. L

June.

16. Jacob Critchett and Elizabeth Stafford.

July.

2. Jacob Brinton and Cathrine McCoy.
4. Andrew Crips and Hannah Stahlkop. L
9. Matthias Jannet and Sarah Hill.
17. John Nickols and Ann Peterson. L
18. Martin Doyle and Rose Brogen.
28. Enoch Hallonsworth and Hannah Smith.
John Gunn and Sarah Gordon.
3. John Karran and Hannah Miller.

August.

7. Peter Osborne and Elizabeth Stephens.
10. John Baxley and Mary Sproul.
17. Robert Anderson and Margrete Neily. L.
26. James Sayre and Elizabeth Dyatt.
29. Walter Welsh and Mary Rely.

September.

15. William Johnson and Cathrine Royal.

October.

11. Peter Babb and Mary Beasen. L
15. Joseph Lobb and Francis Strange. L

November.

3. Thomas Coburn and Martha Hartley. L
4. James Means and Sarah Barnet. L
4. Charles Barnet and Phœbe White. L
4. Robert Hudgeon and Mary Dottan.
5. John Houlden and Jane Bullow. L
10. Matthew Giffin and Mary Ball.
14. John Stilly and Sarah French. L
20. Patrick McCloskey and Elizabeth Oversiller.

21. Patrick Brady and Mary Gore.
25. Joseph Glassan and Sarah Baal. L.

December.

8. Cornelius Stidham and Christina Justice.
10. Abraham Flaharty and Rachel Ferris.
22. Amos Hope and Ann Marshall. L
26. John Boggs and Mary Cummings. L
26. Thomas Wilson and Elizabeth Dunn. L
26. William Watson and Chrisy Owens.

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ANNO 1764. Q. F. F. I. D. T. O. M.

January.

6. John Walker and Jane Miles. L
14. John Rodgers and Elizabeth Ranolds. L
26. William Anderson and Sarah Evans. L

February.

2. John Grow and Anne Danely.
3. William Reath and Susanna Doyle.

March.

4. William McCab and Sarah White.
William Lovis and Elizabeth Wood.
William Smidth and Anne Peterson.
13. Joseph Scott and Margret Caughlan.
15. Jesse Canby and Lydy Davis. L

April.

2. John Tussey and Sarah James. L
4. Wm. Dennon and Elizabeth Hely.
12. Richard Thornberry and Mary Guersley.
12. Moses Fraeser and Anne Hills.
Jonas Peterson and Elizabeth Hines. L

May.

3. Thomas Ogle and Elizabeth Davis.
5. John Howell and Elizabeth Cookin.
7. Joseph McCullough and Elizabeth Hopes.
7. Paul Wrelson and Rebecca Anderson.
7. Rees Enock and Jane Carter.
9. Robert Jack and Mary Sheerer.
10. John Armstong and Rebecca Springer.

22. John Richardson and Sarah Carter.

June.

5. Henry Garritson and Anne Mack.
5. Jonathan Redman and Mary Hendrickson.
14. Charles Springer and Mary Baal.
20. Abel Way and Else Taylor.

July.

19. Richard Garner and Elenor Derrickson.
26. Thomas Hopes and Sarah Harlen.
30. John Gapin and Mary Williams.

August.

7. James Moore and Mary Canley.
8. Thomas Charleton and Elizabeth Cook.
6. James Hinman and Elizabeth Jonson.
10. John Corkran and Mary Carr.

September.

10. Jesse Harlan and Sarah Harlen.
27. John Bullock and Sarah Bartley.

October.

10. Robert Barker and Deborah Jordan.
10. George Heald and Rachel Nickols.
10. Nickolas Hay and Cathrine Cantbine.
John Beeson and Mary Gregg.
25. Wm. Cleany and Elizabeth Gilpin.

November.

1. John Clerk and Sarah Bird.
5. Wm. Glover and Mary Baker.
5. Thomas Newark and Anne Cannoway.
6. Aaron Hackeney and Lydy Rees.
13. John James and Mary Lovis.
16. John Dottan and Rachel Collet.
22. Thomas Roman and Cathrine Doaghs.
24. Adam Diat and Mary Nailson.
25. John McFairlamb and Sarah Heald.
26. Joseph Moll and Sarah Mackendear.

December.

4. Philip Shaaf and Mary Thanker.
George Liggit and Anne Chalfin.
12. Moses Montgomery and Annable Robertson.

23. Robert Eyre and Anne Preis.
20. George Greiff and Cathrine Simmers.
24. Wm. Moore and Mary Agnew.
24. Wm. Simons and Ruth Bird.
29. John Shee and Cathrine Lawrence. 59.

ANNO 1765, Q F. F. J. D. F. O. M.

January.
3. Benjamin Jones and Else Temple.
7. Bernhard Rodgers and Martha Enos.
12. Israel Gibson and Elizabeth Hannums.

February.
12. Wm. Leonard and Jamima Mabaly.
21. Simon Kaaron and Mary Morgan.
21. John Frelight and Elizabeth Way.
21. Wm. Baldwin and Debora Benet.
25. Thomas Brown and Elizabeth Berber.
26. Joseph Taylor and Ann Woodward.
James Nicholson and Sarah Miller.

March.
4. John Wilson and Mary Fogner.
14. James Simonson and Elizabeth Johnson.
14. Robert Shearman and Elenore Derrickson.
20. John Welch and Eleonor Kildennin.
20. Jethro Baker and Ann Johnson.

April.
3. Wm. Askew and Mary Jones.
9. James Dunning and Lydia Aldridge.
13. John Darlington and Mary Way.
19. Stephen Hall and Elizabeth Mounsell.
21. Charles Harrison and Ann Timewell. Negroes.
22. George Jeffeys and Ann Butler.

May.
5. David Chandler and Mary Wayrom.
5. Samuel Clark and Mary Farrill.

June.
10. John Kembole and Lydia Charleton.
17. Isaac Berry and Elizabeth House.

17. John Nichols and Ann Greist.

July.

3. George Valantine and Mary Cohoon.
7. John Burns and Elizabeth Hill.
7. John McCafferty and Mary Proier.
10. Allen Cunningham and Elizabeth Hackett.
20. Wm. Cummings and Mary Kirk.
22. Jacob Way and Phœbe Pennock.
30. George Gorden and Mary Culbertson.

August.

22. Eneas Foulk and Mary Guest.
30. James Ervin and Elizabeth Tardey.

September.

1. Charles McNeal and Elizabeth Paulson.
6. John McKea and Abigail McDonald.
11. John Barker and Miriam Graig.
16. Joseph Sawwil and Mary Pemroy.
19. John Hays and Rachel Hall.
19. Edward Pegman and Margarete . . .
20. Thomas Barnet and Agnes Carter.

October.

3. Henry Kinnen and Elizabeth Gordon.
Isaac England and Sarah Hill.
Wm. Sample and Ann Robinson.
5. Joseph Dickin and Grisell Rowells.
11. Thomas Mahaffy and Elizabeth Linsay,
18. Stephen Harlen and Lydia Greenfield.
25. John Jordan and Rachel Robinson.
30. Enoch Graig and Hannah Bason.

November.

5. Charles Rely and Sarah Dawson.
17. Matthew Case and Elizabeth Hinkley.
Benjamin Dottan and Elizabeth Vandovar.

December.

23. Matthew Johnson and Elizabeth Burrows
24. Andrew Anderson and Mary Conelly.
24. Abraham Brown and Elizabeth Loynan.
25. James Boggs and Hannah Rees.

30. James Flatcher and Susanna Young.
Wm. Barnet and Mary Barlow.

May.

9. George Hall and Sarah Blew.

September.

4. Robert Meers and Sarah Wood.

ANNO 1766. Q. F. F. J. D. T. O. M.

January.

1. Samuel Dickson and Martha Barnet.
3. James Way and Mary Parr.
13. John Peterson and Mary Heburns.
23. John Watson and Mary Williams.
23. Magnus Schrouder and Isabella Allison.
28. Laughlin McNeal and Sarah Parks.

February.

5. John Foudrey and Mary Derick.
6. Henry Gray and . . . Waterson.
12. Wm. Leonard and Jamaymy Mabaly.
20. George Mardock and Ann Mascall.
22. Thomas Cartmell and Mary Taylor.
24. Walter Sweeny and Susan Stewart.

March.

11. Andrew Red and Elizah Hallonsworth.
11. Matthias Branberry and Mary Anderson.
13. John Naaly and Martha Culbertson.
13. Wm. Headen and Ann Vermum.
Wm. Hays and Mary Langlay.
16. John Niclan and Mary Underwood.
17. George McCleod and Totington.
20. Samuel Smidth and Mary Lyle.
27. Isaac Houlton and Margrete Poldon.
31. Robert Dunlap and Cathrine Dennary.

April.

7. Wm. Spotswood and Elizabeth . . .
Alexander McMollan and . . . Hestins.
Edmund Dougherty and . . . .
17. James Ross and Eleonore Runnels.
29. Jesper Camp and Margrete Hedinghan.

May.

7. Cornelius Truax and Elizabeth Tobin.
15. Robert Way and Hannah Lea.
29. John Gleann and Margrete Craig.

June.

4. Edward Crangetton and Mary Darby.
Daniel McNeal and Rebecca Dunlap.
7. Wm. Willis and Susannah Guest.

July.

4. James Montgomery and Mary Sterlin.
11. Thomas Deglish and Anne Muster.
14. David Martin and Eleonore Kirklan.

August.

17. Robert James and Sarah Way.
19. Robert Welsh and Cathrine Stidham.

September.

1. —— Barnet and Mary White.

October.

7. Casper Brown and Rebecca Haston.

November.

4. William Glenn and Brigitta Dunn.
4. Samuel Feer and Ann Dilling.
4. Thomas Tally and Hannah Grubb.
4. Thomas Bradford and Hannah Barnet.
Israel Hendrickson and Lydia Hewell.
25. David Ford and Mary Parlen.

December.

2. John Carle and Sarah Gates.
Joseph Chaffin and Susanna Robinet.
17. James Craig and Charity Craven.
18. Jacob Derickson and Ingeborg Stidham.
21. David Johnson and Mary Brinton.
22. Samuel Stahlkey and Elizabeth Faulken.
22. John Montgomery and Mary Guest.
Thomas Shannahan and Rebecca Wallace.
24. John Harrison and Mary Peterson.
27. Isaac Welding and Sarah Dearman.
29. George Laurence and Lady Derick.

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Anno 1767.

November.

19. Matthias Ginnet and Elizabeth Masters.
21. Jacob Craig and Mary West.
22. John Wilbur and Phœbe Larkin.
24. Joseph Bonsall and Jean Frame.
26. Joseph Hedges and Hannah Ford.

December.

17. Joshua Woodrow and Elizabeth Wilson.
22. John Rester and Christine Aman.
28. Joseph Moony and Elizabeth Taylor.
31. Nathaniel Brown and Elizabeth Lamply.

Anno 1768.

January.

6. Archibald McDonald and Margret Smidt.
9. John Wilson and Margret Justis.
12. Christopher Rich and Dina Hays.
13. George Harlen and Elizabeth Chandler.
14. Gabe Walther and Margret Brown.

February.

7. Abraham Jonson and Magdalene James.
8. Antony Baldwin and Mary Harlin.
29. Jacob Morfy and Elizabeth Welch.

March.

16. Garret Covead and Mary Maggy.
21. Nathaniel Williams and Mary Sennex. 19.

All these were married by orders and directions of the Rev. Andrew Borell, Ordinary, who died the 4th day of April, as during this space of time he married several himself which have not yet been recorded. The record is not complete.

Anno 1768.

April.

12. Nathan Jefris and Beninah Wall. L
13. Elias Tussey and Anne McKeever.
27. Joseph Cowperthwait and Susanna Hellings. L
28. Isaac Colbert and Elizabeth Gart.

28. Abel Way and Sarah Reech.

May.

5. John Taylor and Mary Crother.
9. John Wallace and Mary Page. L
16. John Tallbot and Sarah Lowys. L
19. Thomas Almond and Elizabeth Craig. L
22. James West and Mary Moran.

June.

13. David Waddle and Mary Ratbew. L
13. Edward McCarty and Susanna Stedham.
16. David Jameson and Anne Springer. L

July.

16. John Runolds and Mary Paulson. L
20. Wm. Jordan and Rebecca Robertson. L
31. Thomas Richardson and Jompferson.

August.

1. Wm. McEachan and Hannah Thomas.
7. John File and Elizabeth Burgass. L
10. Thomas Wilson and Elizabeth Roberson.
14. Hugh Ferrel and Sarah Grime.
Michael Schoowek and Sarah Caring.
Robert Armstrong and Hannah Richardson.
29. George Harv and Sarah West.

September.

4. Benjamin Tempel and Sarah Broomer.
8. Andrew Pollen and Jennet Willson.
15. David Tryon and Susanna Tussey. L
17. Oliver Bursall and Elizabeth Simons. L
17. Joseph Marshall and Elizabeth Grubb. L
21. Wm. Conner and Helena Lohnohill.
22. Benjamin Montgomery and Mary McFersson.
29. Samuell Rett and Elizabeth Fredd.

October.

6. James Kean and Jean Kott.
13. Owen Donelly and Sarah Andrewwood.
13. John Shay and Jean Manelly.
14. John Askew and Elizabeth Colbert. L
20. George Rendy and Elizabeth Litla. L
26. Robert Means and Rachel Cunningham.

November.

4. Wm. Talley and Judith Fitzsimmons.
5. Wm. Tullhy and Dina Stille. L
10. Robert Cooper and Hannah Walter.
22. Frend Gray and Sarah Batten.
25. Elias Wilson and Deborah Edwards.

December.

11. Isaac Pennel and Ester Dicks.
22. John Armot and Susanna McLaughlin.
22. Wm. Addy and Elenor Clark.
22. Peter Paulson and Elizabeth Springer.
23. Thomas Beal and Jean Gold.
27. Nathaniel Carter and Sarah Edwards.
29. Thomas Jewel and Jean Porter.
29. James Oarr and Sarah Eynon.
30. Tobias Peterson and Mary McCarty.

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January.

3. John Pyle and Beaulah Beaukley. L
12. John Starr and Elizabeth Williams.
18. Abraham Darlington and Mary Nuklan.
20. Jacob England and Rhoda Forton. L
28. Cornelius McCashey and Cathrine Fisher.

February.

1. Wm. Karser and Elizabeth VanLooner. L
   John Brown and Hannah Nickols. L
14. Henry McElnois and Hannah Broom.
15. Adam Hall and Sarah Barr.
21. Moses Mendenhall and Bethsheba Hope.
23. Wm. Baker and Elizabeth Herny.
28. David Boid and Mary Johns.
   Married by Presbyterian minister Mr. McKinnan, but published in my church.

March

8. John Proctor and Sarah Johnson. L
   George Taylor and Mary Few.
3. Nathaniel Cloud and Mary Steen. L
   Abraham Jerd and Elizabeth Millner. L

28. Thomas Samferd and Ann Brown.
John Neely and Jane Huston. L
29. John York and Cathrine Don. L
Caleb Pyle and Sophia House.
10. Andrew Creater and Ann Davis.
11. Joseph Springer and Ann Hendrickson.
20. Amor McGlaughland and Mary Weldon.
21. John Stalkop and Cathrine Fitzgerald.
Published in New Castle Church.
27. George Walter and Dina Nichols.

May.

9. Henry Collins and Elizabeth Mendenhall.
9. David Johns and Elizabeth McCafferty.
10. John Newlin and Susannah Richards.
11. John Hay and Jean Steen.
Henry Thomson and Elizabeth Bon.
15. Edward Burn and Else Alligon.
16. Francis Day and Mary Morton. L
22. William Lee and Susannah Weakons.
24. Jacob Dingee and Hannah Sumption.
27. Robert Woodward and Jean Sure. L
29. Peter Harford and Marget Pog.

June.

1. William Firsn and Jean Olls. L
1. John Sperey and Catharine Walraven. L
1. Josiah White and Susanna Lodge. L
7. William McClure and Jean Dunlap. L
Frederick Wilsey and Cathrine Charty.
19. James Pyle and Abigail Boldon.
20. James McKnight and Lydia Morgan.

July.

29. Peter Baker and Hannah Seal L

August.

4. Archibold Stewart and Ann Russell. L
13. Benjamin Whiteall and Elizabeth Hopper. L
15. John Gackhagen and Cathrine Bryan.
24. Sylvanus Day and Mary Baldwin. L
27. George McFarlen and Sarah Clements.

31. Robert Hentzer and Mary Shiars.
31. Isaac Brakin and Rachel Stalkop.

September.

8. Philip Halter and Sarah Philips.
12. Robert Chalfant and Phœbe Chalfant. L
14. William Walch and Cathrine Davis.
16. John Cunningham and Rachel Zebley.
18. Thomas Jeffrys and Mary Wilson.
21. John Rafferty and Elizabeth Bryan. L
29. Joseph Thomson and Ann Hollongsworth.

October.

1. Michael Kenrian and Rosanna Smidth.
2. Matthew Doile and Cathrine Grimes.
   Joseph Taylor and Mary Caringten.
5. John Simonten and Frances Armatage.
7. Samuel Bowler and Margret Moore. L
12. William Burns and Mary Ennys.
    Thomas Kane and Elizabeth Elliott L.
    Sigfridus Alrich and Rachel Colesberry.
    Robert Armstrong and Mary Emore.
14. Patrick Mullon and Cathrine Wilky.
17. Thomas Morgan and Ann McHicken.
28. Joseph Beal and Frances Kirgen.
    William Hatton and Mary Quin.
30. John Masten and Ann England.
30. Aaron Pottle and Martha Trevter.
    Thomas Gandy and Cathrine Pradle.

November.

1. William Sharpley and Rachel Vandever. L
3. William Jones and Mary Dilward. L
   John Fredrick and Jean Maguire.
8. Thomas Johnston and Margret Baldwin.
13. Henry Maclear and Mary Bentley.
30. John Bruce and Lady Paulson. L

December.

7. William Arthur and Hannah Gooden.
10. James Forgury and Ann Few.
25. Edward Beeson and Mary Stedham.
    John Johnson and Cathrine Philips.

28. John Hedrich and Ann Emit.
John Loynam and Ann Springer. L

ANNO 1770.

January.
1. Tobias Henderson and Phœbe Backsler.
2. Matthew Treazey and Mary Walter.
5. John Taylor and Jean McCoom.
6. Michael Young and Mary Barent.
9. Joseph Garrisson and Sarah Abrams. L
10. David Jenkins and Hannah O'Danel. L
17. Benjamin McCall and Abigail Harlan.

February.
7. Israel Peterson and Susanna Peterson.
13. John Crosby and Ann Pearce. L
15. James Walter and Sarah Dickson.
26. Thomas Webster and Margret Clarke.

March.
Henry Harlan and Phœbe Starr. L
6. Israel Pyle and Margery Robertson.
12. Robert Hindman and Margaret Walker.
14. John Davis and Ann Davis.
15. Robert Stille and Ruth Cling. L
Bezaller Bentley and Catharine Little.
26. Johnathan Steely and Debora Shaw.
27. Andrew Loynam and Ann Walraven.

April.
2. James Woolson and Mary Roberson.
5. Jonas Walraven and Elenor Justis. L
9. Aaron Musgrave and Rachel Woodrow.
James Garritson and Mary Abrams.
16. Robert Eules and Margret Robb.
John Henley and Martha McKeever.
17. Ellis Bently and Else Edmonds.
17. James Skott and Elizabeth Willson. L

May.
3. Samuel Brays and Elizabeth McMikel. L
9. Andrew Morten and Mary Post.

10. John Martin and Mary Craft.
11. Isaac Hollingsworth and Hannah Skott.
31. Jacob Shreves and Elizabeth Cremer.

June.

4. William Wiley and Margret White.
5. Brian Daily and Mary Morphy.
12. Harman Whiteman and Elizabeth Junkins. L
17. Jeremia Flemon and Ann Burns.
18. John Stuck and Mary Darlington.
19. William Derickson and Rebecca Springer. L

July.

1. Conrad Saesa and Susanna Henderson.
2. John Linch and Isabella Walker.
25. Eliah Hooten and Sarah Bird. L

August.

6. William Bell and Hester Richy.
8. Dennis McGee and Susanna Roberson.
9. Joseph Smidth and Frances Barrington.
13. Andrew McEnloi and Mary Lampley,
16. Jacob Derrickson, Jr., and Susanna Sennex.
22. John Webster and Sarah Vanneaman.
27. John Orr and Elizabeth Henry.
26. Benjamin Way and Mary Bolden.

September.

11. James Masters and Cathrine Ellis.
William Robbins and Mary Forgerson.
13. Samuel Huston and Elizabeth Maxfield.
24. John Chard and Susanna Shanks.
28. Hugh Russel and Mary Buckingham,

October.

2. James Walker and Agnes Miley. L
5. John Dunsmore and Guenny Morgan. L
9. Evan Evan and Hannah Sullivon. L
13. John Brogan and Mary Chalfant. L
22. Alexander Walker and Mary McIntire.

November.

1. William Nichols and Hannah Chalfant.

5. John Black and Martha Steward.
   Matthew Smidth and Sarah Cunningham.
   William Dunn and Elizabeth Pike.
   Joseph Day and Elizabeth Wood. L
6. Richard Troushon and Lydia Underwood.
20. James McArthur and Margret Clemens.
22. James Cann and Rachel Chandlor.
23. Edward Crow and Mary Adertown.
29. Joseph Brown and Susanna Davis.
30. Robert Ryan and Mary Wilson.

December.

4. Andrew Peterson, Jr., and Elizabeth Brunberg.
7. James Woodward and Jane Bullock.
16. James Maxwell and Elizabeth McDougal.
13. Samuel Durnal and Elizabeth McCartor.
    James Elliott and Sarah Gise.
18. William Login and Jane Way.
19. Samuel Kirkpatrick and Mary Sutton.
20. Joseph Gorby and Hannah Stilley. L

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ANNO 1771.

January.

2. John Gest and Rebecca Davis. L
   Lawrence Woods and Mary Kelly.
3. Isaac Powell and Hannah Bealy.
17. John McKellway and Frances McBride.
18. Francis Hestis and Elizabeth Skott.
24. Thomas Edwards and Hannah Philips.

February.

2. Jacob Greave and Rebecca Langley. L
14. Thomas Burtington and Leady Woodward.
18. John Wilkins and Susanna Webb.
21. Joseph Baker and Mary Garnel. L

March.

4. Isaac Johnson and Leady Miller.
5. Robert Hugh and Ann McBride. L
7. Job Meyer and Margret Gordon.

21. Joseph Wiley and Elizabeth Johnson. L
25. James Solgrave and Cathrine Suttin.
25. Abner Meyer and Jean Brown.
26. Nathaniel Maguire and Sara Collins.
27. John Flinn and Jeane Parker.
28. John Dunlap and Sarah Melaun. L

April.

4. Jerssey Bentley and Leady Chalfant.
9. Johnathan Rumford, Jr., and Sarah Way.
9. George Witzel and Mary Stedham.
16. John Knight and Elizabeth Henderson.
21. Abraham Clark and Hannah Chamberlain.

May.

4. John Waterson and Jean Coldwell.
9. Robert Gunn and Mary Paterson.
10. Samuel Lenard and Elizabeth Parkisson.
11. George Caldwell and Prudence Maahon.
22. Robert Edward and Mary Crook. L
30. John Clark and Mary Clark. L

June.

2. Andrew Anderson and Mary Guthrie.
22. John Barlow and Elizabeth Barnet.
24. Thomas Sharp and Elizabeth Rotch.
25. John Bushmot and Maigret Parker.
27. Johnathan Evans and Hannah Robertson.
30. Edmund Daugherty and Leady Pyle.

July.

1. Stephen Allis and Elizabeth Swayon. L
16. Christopher Sayers and Cathrine McDouglas. L
25. Jacob Pyle and Sarah Hurford. L
29. James Cambel and Elizabeth McCollock.
30. Benjamin Miller and Hannah Martin.
31. John Hays and Phœbe Huston. L

August.

9. Thomas Baldwin and Mary Starr. L
15. James Brown and Margret Maxfield. L
19. James Logan and Leah Victory.

September.

3. Archibald McMurphy and Juliana Rickets.

10. Ledom Ingrom and Ann Ford.
19. Michael Nelson and Barbara Bratten.
26. Collins Hamor and Sarah Smidth.
28. Christopher Gowing and Ann Murphy.

October.

5. Wm. Keeren and Rebecca Owen.
6. Joseph Bursington and Cathrine Dixon. L
13. Timothy Hanson and Mary Way. L
17. Abraham Vanneaman and Ann Paulson.

November.

1. Allen Key and Mary Mote.
4. John Wates and Hannah Mitchel.
Gilbert Bradley and Mary Woolly.
Joseph Borman and Elenor Bartley.
25. John Hennings and Mary Ford.
David Chandlor and Leady Henderson.

December.

1. John Faddes and Hannah Tremble.
2. John Nails and Sarah Woodward.
16. Gilbert McCarter and Ann Spence.
19. Joseph Stedham and Sarah Hedge.
22. Thomas Davis and Mary Bird.
23. John Floyd and Hannah Thomson.
26. Mathias Gennet and Elizabeth Justis. L

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ANNO 1772.

January.

15. John Wonet and Sarah Goolder. L
16. George Rush and Hannah McDonald.
27. Johnathan Johnson and Elizabeth Richards.
William Elliott and Elizabeth Kimber.

February.

5. Johnathan Dutton and Martha Beeson.
6. Robert Bryon, Jr., and Ingeber Stedham.
8. John Taylor and Elizabeth Moulder.
16. Abraham Heald and Mary Heald.
20. John Savill and Mary Langley. L
23. Jacob Sanders and Mary Dorothy.

27. Charles MGonigale and Elizabeth Lyle.

March.

19. Isaiah Hoops and Jean Martin.
Michael King and Mary Garrison.
30. Daniel Dealy and Elizabeth Pitman.

April.

6. Charles Whitelock and Mannah Gray. L
8. James Wilson and Catharine Peterson. L
21. Gottlieb Snider and Catharine Lytieker.
23. John Bratten and Margret McEntire.
28. Henry Deal and Margret Little.

May.

4. Samuel Richardson and Rachel Harlen.
6. Thomas Savadge and Hannah Woodward.
9. John Creag and Else Alfred. L
9. Robert McCullah and Mary Robertson. L
11. James Murphey and Ann Zebley.
18. Thomas Gandy and Barbara Hollingsworth.
18. Timothy Kogg and Johanna Taylor.
25. Barry Cossins Harris and Margret Marshall.

June.

9. Abner Cloud and Elizabeth Rummond. L.
18. John Hendrickson and Margret Sennex. L
23. Robert Black and Margret Tardey.
24. Samuel Chandler and Mary Welch.
27. Daniel Grimes and Mary Seed. L

July.

9. Archibald McDonald and Hannah Springer.
30. George Beale and Mary Middleton.

August.

1. Richard Jamison and Elizabeth Smidt. L
Joseph Dain and Rachel Bratten. L
20. Thomas Londey and Lydia Derrick.

September.

1. Thomas McKingley and Lucrecy Evans.
1. James McCallah and Hannah Evy.
12. Thomas Gilpin and Leady Rise. L
19. John Young and Rebecca Sheward. L
20. Samuel Tussey and Sarah Sparks.

24. Isaac Vanloaner and Ann England.
29. William Hannum and Ruth Evans.
John Fred and Ann Davis.

October.

26. Caleb Gotteher and Martha Jones.

November.

2. Joseph Latta and Sussanna Steen.
4. John Thomson and Mary Clayton.
Samuel Conn and Ann Bullock. L
5. John Dealy and Jean Gray.
9. Daniel Davis and Mary Pearce.
12. Nathanael Wilkinson and Elinor Dunihoo.
Gideon Clark and Sarah Jaquette.
16. John Dehanor Dunham and Rebecca Rockerel. L
17. George Groy and Ann Fisher,
18. John McCarter and Margret Thomson.

December.

3. John Kersin and Hannah Booth.
24. Thomas Smith and Susanna Talley.
Thomas Moore and Ann Stephenson.
28. Thomas Littler and Leady Feelding. L

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ANNO 1773.

January.

4. William Clayton and Mary Harlan.
5. Joseph Stroda and Cathrine Smith.
7. George Thomas and Cathrine Paulson.
9. Solomon Gregg and Isabel McCracken.
20. Benjamin Rothwell and Margret Abrams. L
21. Lukas Walraven and Cathrine Gray. L
21. Walter Meredith and Rachel Lea. L
22. John Huggins and Mary Marshall. L
28. Stephen Mendenhall and Margret Farlo. L

February.

2. Michael Ravel and Ann Dain.
2. Henry Fri and Sarah Hendrickson.
4. Joseph Gilpin and Elizabeth Malean. L
John Darlington and Elenor Armstrong.

John White and Elenor Karney. L.
Michael McCrea and Mary Sulliven.
18. Peter Whiteaker and Frances Bethel.
Robert Love and Ann Moore.

March.

10. James Crosely and Hannah Moore.
15. Joshua Pierce and Rachel Hays. L.
23. John Maguire and Margret Shute. L.

April.

1. William Anderson and Mary Bird. L.
7. Francis Williams and Mary Taylor. L.
8. Arthur Pennoi and Hannah Huston. L.
13. John Burns and Sarah Derrick.
15. John Wilson and Margret Monteith.
22. John Fisher and Ann Taylor.

May.

William Pennock and Mary Martin. L.
6. John Williams and Mary Whitting. L.
20. Joseph Gray and Ann Miller. L.
Benjamin Pierce and Mary Folk.
21. John Lowis and Mary Krawson.
26. Joseph Baldwin and Rebecca Elliott.
29. David Philips and Ann Igelsten.

June.

3. Joshua Harlan and Mary Whitey.
Richard Denny and Mary Cummins.
9. Henry Cubbin and Christiana Dugen.
10. Christopher Oennet and Elizabeth Penn.
11. Robert Pierce and Cathrine Sharpley.
14. Peter Green and Rebecca Grosie.
17. David Stedham and Hannah Knott.
18. Daniel Kenney and Mary Alford.
20. John Rodgers and Barbary Sanders.
24. Jacob Bird and Rebecca Justis.
28. David Chandler and Hannah Buckingham.
John Martin and Mary Hicklin.

July.

4. James Frith and Phœbe Thomsen.

9. John Peterson and Ruth Pyles.
27. William Winnet and Sarah Strainge. L.
Hugh Mitchell and Sarah Koll.
John Barret and Margret When. L.

August.

2. Jeremiah Underwood and Elizabeth Hutton.
9. John Davis and Mary Loury.
10. James Sim and Margret Calahan.
Henry Fuller and Hannah Backster.
23. Isaac Cherrey and Rebecca Bird.
27. John McLury and Mary Wallace. L.

September.

1. Peter Woolbough and Mary Smidt.
2. James McKean and Ann Wilson.
7. Nathan Johnson and Ruth Webb.
8. John Peter and Balty Robbeson. L.
30. Thomas Wade and Nancy Hamilton.

October.

4. Isaac Allen and Rachel Sharp. L.
5. Joseph Jonson and Martha House
9. Jacob Berndt and Else Brothers.
14. James Alford and Elizabeth Welch.
18. Richard Silenie and Johanna Few. L.
21. David McCausland and Sarah Holms. L.
31. John Johnson and Sarah Shiels. L.

November.

15. Samuel Grundow and Rebecca Rouse.
21. Richard Derrick, Jr., and Leady Cloud. L.
John Chamberlain and Batty Mole. L.
23. Jacob Bennet and Mary Food.
24. Evan Philips and Mary Harlan.
25. David Brown and Hannah Martin.
29. Joseph Fisher and Susanna Gray.

December.

2. David Windell and Rebecca Lynam.

10. John Henry Wagner and Elizabeth Hilden.
14. Jacob Broom and Rachel Pierce. L
15. Thomas Treacy and Sarah Coplind.
23. John Churchman and Jean Taylor.
Joshua Dickson and Phœbe Heald. L
Charles Paulson and Susanna Woolbough.

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ANNO 1774.

January.

6. James Dougherty and Livina Lawrence.
10. David Denny and Leady Nelson.
27. John Spragg and Mary Garrison. L
31. Wm. Craig and Margret Holahan.

February.

1. Peter Ingram and Elizabeth Taylor.
14. iMchael Higgins and Cathrine Menzener.
14. Archibald Sherer and Ann Hall.

March.

3. Henry Philips and Rebecca Gillbreath. L
10. John Hunter and Mary Cochlin.
James Law and Elizabeth Kennoi.
15. Wm. Sturges and Jean Devor.
16. Wm. Chamberlain and Sarah Post.
26. Wm. Martin and Jean McCarty.

April.

13. John McLaughlin and Jean Dunlap. L
14. Robert Richardson and Jean Davison.
Isaac Gregg and Sarah Galloher. L.
14. James Currey and Rachel Kirk. L
18. Wm. Wright and Margret Keith.
Samuel Moore and Sarah Thomson.

May.

17. John Hague and Sarah Collins.
19. Andrew Lynam and Margret Hall. L
19. Robert Chalfant and Rachel Walter.
27. Thomas Wilson and Rachel Chalfant.
30. Thomas Bullock and Elizabeth Nelson.

June.

3. John Gold and Cathrine McBride. L
12. Thomas Morton and Elizabeth Thompson.
16. John Gritsie and Hannah Daly.
George Dennis and Elenor Peterson.
23. David Hews and Rosanna Hugile.
30. Daniel Brown and Mary Wagner.

July.

6. John Humphreys and Elizabeth Woodside. L
15. John Hall and Mary Pyle.
16. John Paulson and Sarah McCallem.
19. Wm. Moore and Margret McLouin.
31. Charles Bewgles and Margret Byrnes.

August.

Robert McIntire and Rachel Floyd.
9. Joseph Savill and Martha Farra.

September.

2. Joseph Hunton and Agnes Hendrickson.
13. Edward Woods and Sarah Heaveren.
19. Joseph Sill and Elizabeth Ford.
22. Jacob Hews and Rachell Perkins.
29. Wm. Stidham and Rebecca Tussaw.

October.

14. George Williamson and Mary Page.
20. John Reed and Agnes Brakin. L
John Stern and Hester Heald.
24. Isaac Ryan and Hannah Townsand.
26. Isaac Hearshy and Jean McEntire. L
27. Jacob Derrickson and Elenor Stidham.

November.

Wm. Willson and Ann Bill.
4. Kentor Pimperdue and Jemima Farle.
9. John Danielson and Mary Jinkins.
10. Grissit Jordan and Phœbe Ford. L
14. Robert Grunde and Elizabeth Neil.
17. Robert Armstrong and Rachel Springer.
21. Samuel Landers and Mary Welch.

December.

3. John Brinton and Mary Rogers. L

7. Enoch Chandler and Hannah Baldwin.
12. Thomas Williams and Rachel Woodward.
14. Christopher Chandler and Phœbe Kirk. L
15. Joseph Griss and Margret Aberdain.
Thomas Heins and Elenor Willison.
22. Hugh Montgomery and Rachel Peterson. L
27. Thomas Dennison and Jean Cunningham.

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ANNO 1775.

January.

3. Samuel Steel and Leah Elliott. L
8. Shesh Cazzar Bentley and Hannah Baldwin. L
9. Aaron Grubb and Priscilla Cloud. L
11. Henry Jeffrey and Emy Bennet.
16. Edward Willison and Elizabeth Hanley.
19. Samuel McSavan and Cathrine McDowel.

February.

27. Robert Allen and Cathrine Manough.

March.

2. Day Branson and Margret Freeman.
Thomas Hogg and Cathrine Heens. L
8. George Andrews and Mary Bradford. L
20. Moses Johnson and Rachel Johnson.
Andrew McKee and Mary Almond. L.
28. Samuel Shipley and Jane Bennet.
Robert Taylor and Mary Hastings.
Samuel Gibson and Margret Almond.
29. William Simonson and Martha Russel.
James Veech and Rebecca Jemison.

April.

8. Nathan Millner and Mary Sharpley.
13. David Evans and Elizabeth Todd.
17. Francis Dutton and Hannah Talbert.
18. John Stoop and Elenor McCallen.
24. Samuel O'Hughs and Mary Baiard.
26. David Caldwell and Martha Thompson.
29. Jonathan Jordan and Susanna Flupen.

May.

4. Theophilus Jones and Mary Eccles.
7. James Moore and Margret Ramsay.
9. Philip Ward and Mary Hall.
9. Edward Bratten and Mary Harris.
9. James Ford and Mary Eldridge.
21. John Wiley and Sarah Morgan.
25. George Key and Martha Simons.
26. Wm Mann and Jean Brown.

June.

5. Peter Hendrickson and Mary Leard.
10. Samuel Hollingsworth and Hannah Rondle.
15. George Lauerbeck and Rebecca East.
19. Francis Cluggage and Jean Nixon.
22. William Hutchins and Ann Bennet.

July.

6. Richard January and Mary Thomas.
8. John Martin and Rebecca Runnels.
11. Robert Huggins and Hannah Bennet.
13. Joseph Moorestrand and Hannah Enis.
17. Aron Job and Barbara Jacobus.
22. Joseph Hollis and Hannah Sheward.
27. Joseph Gregg and Rachel Hicklin.

August.

3. Thomas Moores and Jemima Derrick.
" Nicklas Tailleuh and Juda Price.
17. George Nixon and Sarah Seeds.
28. Richard Marer and Elenor Perkins.

September.

7. Israel Israels and Hanna Erwin.
24. Thomas Knight and Mary Tayler.

October.

4. Richard Richards and Jane McGaweb.
5. John Alford and Rebecca Welch.
10. Daniel Walker and Margret Walker.
14. Amos Davis and Elenor Ferrel.
" William Park and Elizabeth McBride.
16. Abel Sherwood and Elenor Johnson.

24. John Gars and Mary Mahane.
25. Samuel Marshall and Elizabeth Vandever.
26. James Eves and Phœbe Brinton.

November.

4. John Parry and Hannah Diliwerd.
7. Archibald Hollas and Jean McKee.
8. Ebenezer Tally and Elizabeth Brown.
19. Thomas Hanson and Elenor Digdon.
22. Thomas Love and Jean Clindelon.
23. William Calvert and Jean Craig.

December.

4. John Branen and Margret Pingelton
6. George Sellers and Sarah Clifferd.
6. Joseph Elliott and Mary Lampley.
" William Hanby and Elizabeth Konelly.
19. David Irvin and Isabel Adams.
" David Huston and Elenor Sheerer.

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ANNO 1776

January.

7. John Askew and Elizabeth Jackson.
6. John Jacobs Falkoner and Ann Harlon.
9. Strainge Backhouse and Cathrine Springer.
11. John Hanna and Leady McDannel.
13. John Spenees and Mary Holahan.
15. Robert Russel and Jennet Allen.
22. Thomas Ewart and Phœbe Woodward.
23. John Veall and Rebecca Stilley.
24. Abraham Ritchee and Elizabeth Clark.

February.

10. David Leech and Mary Jordan.
17. Robert McWilkin and Mary Bradford.
22. James Hukman and Sarah Owens.

March.

5. John Welch and Hanna Douty.
5. James Pyle and Lydia Dilworth.
6. Daniel Fergman and Susanna Downing.
8. Joshua Bussington and Ann Marshall.

21. Wm. Dixon and Dorcas Eyon.
24. Joseph Carter and Margret Cloud.
27. John Bratton and Mary Huston.

April.

2. Hans Stameast and Susanna Cleny.
4. John Ward and Mary Taylor.
6. James McKeever and Susanna McCafferty.
16. Ephriam Russel and Elizabeth Simonson.
18. James Russell and Margret Bratten.
27. John Highfield and Martha Bailiss.

May.

27. Andrew Towers and Charity Frames.
29. John Grined and Debora Robeson.
29. James Cohen and Ann Nedrick.

June.

9. Thomas Watson and Jane America.

July.

28. Robert Parrett and Jane Colber.

August.

1. David Derrickson and Leady Sullivan.
James Robinson and Agnes Johnson.
Lewis Janney and Mary Pennock.
4. James Murphy and Mary Jackson.
12. John Middleton and Elizabeth Parker.
15. Solomon Hays and Mary Graig.
17. Ely Baily and Ruth Taylor.

September.

3. Adam Truman and Elizabeth Talbot.
9. John Cashedy and Mary Myers.
10. Thomas Thomson and Prudence Jefferis.
23. John Frenser and Martha Swain.
26. Peter Harden and Rebecca Peterson.
30. Philip Otley and Hanna Baker.

October.

14. George Roads and Hanna Mercer.
15. Alexander Brown and Hanna Ritchie.
28. John Hickman and Elizabeth Jeffries.
36. Thomas Robinson and Sara Baldwin.

November.

4. Wm. Fletcher and Jane Mechesney.
4. Archibald McWicker and Dorcas Dickson.
4. James McClyde and Martha Chalfant.
6. Wm. Pluright and Rachel Walraven.
21. Philip Sellars and Hannah Gordon.
28. Peter Blankcharr and Martha McCann.

December.

2. George Bradley and Mary Taylor.
7. Lampson Barnet and Phoebe Grissie.
13. Benjamin Grubb and Leady Larkin.
18. John Paulson and Elenor Armstrong.
Benjan Brown and Ann Trevillo.

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ANNO 1777.

January.

2. Peter Hendrickson, Jr., and Ann Leysonyer.
16. James Hughs and Margret McClane.
23. James Walker and Mary Downing.
26. Bartram Donde and Mary Campbell.

February.

5. John Richardson and Hannah McEntois.
6. Thomas Broom and Margret Morton.
6. James Brown and Rebecca Warden.
8. Thomas Punkel and Elizabeth Brown.
10. Wm. Eules and Jane Ross.
12. Joseph Cloud and Elizabeth Folk.
20. Wm. Smith and Elizabeth Cambel.
23. Wm. Heagens and Margret Daugherty.
24. James Burrough and Alice Jordan.
27. John Wilkesson and Jane Robeson.

March.

3. John Spassy and Ann Harrison.
10. Samuel Davidson McCaplin and Elizabeth Buckley.
11. Stephen Pyle and Jane Conner.
12. Richard Strode and Hannah Batten.
Wm. Husbands and Margret Megarrough.
14. Wm. Johnson and Cathrine Shanks.

19. Matthew Anderson and Elizabeth Mickebroi.
18. Jacob Anderson and Mary Johnson.
20. Jesse Crossman and Elizabeth Ridge.
24. Robert Bryan and Rebecca Hall.
Stephen League and Hannah Nicko's.
Richard Moore and Ann Brown.
24. David Ford and Jemima Ford.
31. John McKaghuen and Hannah Moore.

April.

1. Cornelius Derrickson and Ann Almond.
2. Peter Durnal and Hannah Wilson.
14. Thomas Carr and Mary Owen.
14. Walter Clark and Martha Adamson.
16. Wm. Loudon and Charity Davis.
25. Robert Forgreave and Sarah Young.
26. John McGrashan and Ann Olding.

May.

1. Thomas Neill and Elisabeth Bush.
2. Abner Broadford and Rachel Baldwin.
John Flahen and Alse Eules.
12. John Dougherty and Ann Proctor.
John Williams and Sarah Pyle.
14. Matthew McConnel and Margret Williams.
19. John Robinson and Alse McDernot.
19. James Wallace and Elizabeth Shaw.

June.

18. Samuel Brown and Mary Ellwel.
27. John Tolan and Mary Laferty

July.

James Motlay and Elizabeth Cruden.
Thomas Mathews and Ann Kirk.
5. John Jones and Elizabeth Johnson.
16. James McKeever andMary Edwards.
20. George Stanton and Mary Stedham.

August.

Thomas Berry and Mary Harrison.
22. John Bernard and Hannah Davis.
27. Wm. Hanby and Hannah Hanby.

September.

2. John Disney and Cathrine Miller.
James Shofield and Mary Job.

October.

10. Robert Robeson and Elizabeth Sleifer.
15. Wm. Jones and Hannah Casson.
28. Matthew Erwits and Mary Wilson.
Thomas Watson and Unity Dugal.

November.

4. Samuel Little and Margret McCollan.
15. Daniel Howard and Sara Porter.
20. James McFadren and Martha Carlton.
25. Samuel Hodges and Mary Miller.

December.

11. John Stilley and Elizabeth Gray.
23. Francis Harbeson and Hanhah Hannum.
27. Hugh McKeever and Elizabeth Talbert.

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ANNO 1778.

January.

6. John Baughman and Mary Gilbreath.
10. Wm. Saunders and Hanna Richardson.
" John Vandever and Persina Beeson.
12. John Maylark and Jane Killpatrick,
19. Patrick Burk and Susanna Fielding.
22. Joseph Baughman and Elenor Springer.
28. William Rosny and Margret Farme.
31. George Neilson and Martha Co'esbery.

February.

21. Isaac Gritsie and Ann Moore.
" John Roberts and Phebe May.

March.

8. John Emeson and Mary Green.
11. Henry Glack and Ann Carpenter.
24. Christopher Brown and Alse Stuart.
26. John Geoshorn and Rebecca Walraven.

April.

2. William McKee and Elizabeth Miles.
   James McGustin and Elenore Hines.
8. Joseph Hall and Mary Forsyth.
19. Samuel Bowjer and Susanna Hall.
20. Thomas Stanley and Ann Greenacre.
21. Thomas Harper and Elizabeth Wood.
27. George Stuart and Mary White.
   William Gaskin and Carina Tussey.
   Benjamin Garnel and Mary William.
29. Joseph Wilde and Rachel Jacquet.
   William Bright and Johanna Parfis.
   Samerlain Spencer and Mary Ayres.
30. Isaac Sampson and Ann Mason.
   Andrew Vanneaman and Cathrine Andey.

May.

4. Joseph Burk and Eleanore McGin.
7. Hugh McLean and Susanna Pendelgrass.
9. John Welshe and Cathrine Campbel.
12. Francis Thomson and Mary Taylor.
   Laurence Conely and Rebecca Almond.
   Thomas Jones and Ann McCarter.
16. Caleb Seal and Sarah Brown.

June.

   Edward Dunn and Ann Stalcop.
25. Thomas Brogth Hugan and Elizabeth Morgan.

July.

7. Ambrose William and Cathrine Johnson.
7. Walraven Walraven and Elizabeth Slaughter.
7. Hezekiel Kery and Rosanna McCafferty.
14. Samuel Dixon and Sarah Woodward.
18. William Mould and Elizabeth Fritch,
23. John Strawbridge and Hannah Evans.

August.

1. John Malcolm and Cathrine Brotherton.
23. Edward Fielden and Rebecca Anderson.

September.

14. Andrew Calderwood and Mary Campbell,
17. John Justis and Elizabeth Stidham.

October.

1. David Dutton and Hannah Rodgers.
13. Samuel Horner and Elizabeth Sperry,
23. Daniel Meginnis and Catharine Mallen.

November.

4. William McNail and Sarah Bailey.

December.

7. William Jones and Mary Ghislin.
16. Timothy Collins and Sarah Stewart,
17. Jacob Robinson and Debora Justis.
20. Daniel Boyle and Elizabeth Enis.
25. Peter McDonald and Margaret Fox.

ANNO 1779. 56

January.

14. Thomas Glenn and Lydia Cox.
17. Richard Lampley and Prudence Derrick,

February.

15. Jacob Butler and Ann Chalfant.

March.

1. James Biggs and Mary Gordon.
3. Bryan McNally and Jane McFarlan.
4. Joseph Sommerlin and Sarah Stidham.
9. James McWay and Sarah Woods.
24. James Johnson and Jane Anderson.
26. John Brown and Elizabeth McWesten.

April.

3. Elisha Adpuson and Patience Chapman.
8. Henry Colesberry and Ann Lynam.
28. Robert Hues and Ann Garsigen.
29. James Brindley and Elizabeth Ogle.

May.

4. Ely Woodward and Alice Pyle.
4. Lawrence Girelius and Christina Lidenius, married by Rev. N. Collin, rector of Raccoon and Pennsneck Churches.
9. Daniel Brown and Sarah Seals. . . . . .

June.

16. Samuel Greave and Elizabeth Bishop.
20. Daniel Janifer Adams and Ann Hanson.
25. Thomas Jurden and Amelia Davy, negroes.
26. Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth Dougherty.
27. Arthur Dempsey and Johanna Riley.

July.

16. James Caskey and Rachel Wallace.
22. William Smith and Orphey Cloud.

August.

4. Peter Woolbough and Lydia Morton.
16. William Alcorn and Alice Means.
19. George Willis and Elizabeth Moore.
30. Stephen Anderson and Elizabeth Farrell.

September.

18. William Tinsley and Mary Greenfield.
20. Joseph Nilson and Mary Alcott.
29. William Armoth and Sarah Amystid.

October.

7 Robert Keith and Mary Adams.

November.

16. Thomas Robinson and Elizabeth Murdock.
20. Thomas Durner and Mary Collett.

December.

2. Peter Brynberg and Lydia Walraven.
7. Timothy Cook and Ann Nelson.
29. Richard Webster and Mary Thomas.
William Wood and Elizabeth McBride.

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ANNO 1780.

January.

15. Nicholas Foss and Elenor Conolly.
25. David Denny and Susanna O'Neile.

February.

1. Samuel James and Rachel Hanson.
3. Leonard Young and Lydia Flood.
12. Marshall Battin and Susanna Hoode.

March.
2. Thomas Hall and Hannah Marshall.
14. Francis Liss and Margret Moore.
21. James Blair and Ruth Peterson.

April .
1. Gideon Williamson and Rachel Taylor.
6. Joseph Coleman and Rebecca Windel.
William Chamberlin and Ann Hampton.
8. Benjamin Langley and Hannah Colon, negroes.
9. Willlam Hewes and Cathrine Conelly.
13. Andrew Peterson and Elizabeth Thomson.
24. James Seeds and Isabella Donaldson.
29. James Fowler and Ann English.

May.
16. John Hague and Ruth Mndenhall.
33. William Miller and Hannah Haney.

June.
1. John Hawthorn and Margret Phillips.
18. Robert Morrison and Sarah McClan.
21. William Lockheart and Rebecca Farle.
29. William McGlaughlin and Susanna Ford.
John Nowlin and Mary Gray.

July.
8. Joseph Wilkeson and Margret Muckelvain.
19. Frederick Hall and Sarah Dublin.
25. George Barnet and Margret Montgomery.
25. Neil Toy and Cathrine Black.
29. Andrew Cunningham and Ann Farrel.

August.
6. William Dixon and Susanna Tryon.
19. Casperus Meginnis and Elizabeth Jayorge.

September.
30. Frederick Steen and Mary Woodward.

October.
2. David Ray and Esther Jeffries.
11. Thomas Williams and Phœbe Worrel.
15. Isaac Brown and Mary Bird.

November.
4. Jonathan Kirk and Johanna Lewis.

30. William Vandever and Johanna Milliner.

December.

7. John Saunders and Johanna Silence.

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ANNO 1781.

January.

14. Israel Brown and Ann Adkinson.
28. Samuel Taylor and Mary Miller.
30. Joseph Ashton and Leah Sharpley.

February.

11. Joshua Mortenson and Nancy Perkins.
13. Jacob Bratten and Rachel Sharpley.
27. George Weldin and Elizabeth Almond.

March.

7. Daniel Sharpley and Rebecca Vandever.
8. David Beeson and Margret Vandever.
10. Samuel Millner and Catharine Vandever.
25. Louis Jones and Catharine Budget,
25. Jonas Stidham, Jr., and Elenor Derickson.

April.

8. John Crampton and Hester Connel.
9. David Marshall and Mary Bussington.
9. Richard Bussington and Rachel Baker.
14. William Rawson and Lydia Woolbaugh.
25. William Thomson and Mary Hall.

May.

8. James Cannon and Debora McCullough.
17. John Veal and Ann Springer.
23. John Milton and Rachel Thomson.
Caleb Way and Sarah Pierce.

June.

20. Benjamin Tilton and Margret Bailey.
24. Jeremiah Carter and Sarah Chew.

July.

17. Bernard Diamond and Mary Carr.

September,

8. Robert Rue and Elenor Vandever.
29. Robert McKnight and Rachel Nield.

October.
1. Isaac Sharp and Margret Johnson.
10. Anthony Redman and Elizabeth Brinton.
16. James Chalfant and Jane McCarty.
24. Jonathan Harlan and Abigal Call.
November.
3. Samuel Skott and Phœbe Edwards.
17. Philip Dwire and Margret Sullivan.
December.
12. Eli Weldon and Mary Kellam.
26. Jacob Justis and Hannah Springer.

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ANNO 1782.

January.
24. John Hansson and Rachel Hendrickson.
Richard Faught and Mary Parkison.
28. Thomas Smith and Jane Welch.
February.
21. William Ford and Catharine Golden.
March.
14. James Ferney and Elizabeth McCaskbey.
23. Israel Rambo and Margret Kellam.
26. Jesse Walraven and Rebecca Hendrickson.
28. Thomas Neilds and Mary Fling.
April.
9. John Butler and Jane Philips.
18. Joshua Marshall and Rachel Baily.
John Ford and Rachel Johnson.
May.
20. John Flin and Hannah Justis.
28. John Allardice and Ann Baid.
30. William Elliott and Elizabeth Clark.
Elis Evanson and Rachel Seal.
June.
5. John Taylor and Mary Smith
11. Casper Camp and Margret Allen.
12. Joseph Cocks and Elizabeth Twining.
20. Lucas Stidham and Joanna Vaneaman.

July.
7. William Sharpe and Cathrine Parlin.
25. Thomas Nixon and Elizabeth Mason Adams.

August.
1. William Cowly and Margret Heagans.

September.
9. Henry Garritson and Sarah Robinson.
John Rodgers and Elenor Dirrick.

October.
2. John Baldwin and Ruth Way.
4. James Gibson and Agnes Topping.
8. Garret McQuillen and Jane McGloien.
12. John Crosan and Mary Bishop.
22. Be jamin Bentley and Mary Baldwin.
23. John Barber and Rebecca Vining.

November.
14. Richard Tagla and Ann Sleifer.
23. Israel Hendrick Johnson and Sara Cappel.

December.
15. Lulof Peterson and Rachel Doun.
24. George Vansandt and Cathrine King.
31. John Vandever and Alse Beeson. 135.

ANNO 1783.

January.
1. Thomas Gilpin and Sarah Connell.
2. Joseph Suttou and Magdalena Sleifer.
5. William Alley and Mary Burris.
16. James Killen and Elizabeth Lightbody.
21. Joshua Todd and Mary Allen.
25. William Smith and Mary Husbands.
Jonas Stidham and Ingebor Sinnex
27. Allen McKee and Ledda Canby.

February.
2. John Hasselton and Ann Paulson.
27. Simon Paulson and Ann Patton.

March.
3. Andrew McUlvain and Rachel Montgomery.
15. John Wood and Sarah Arey.

April.
10. Archibald Philips and Elizabeth O'Donnelly.
13. George Brown and Mary Tate.
19. Isaac Moore and Ann Smidth.
22. Oliver Evans and Sarah Tomlinson.

May.
1. Joseph Robeson and Cathrine McDonnald.
3. John Bowls and Elizabeth Kirk.
6. Andrew Smith and Rachel Alrich.
10. George Paulson and Rachel Bird.
29. Joseph Coleman and Alice Jordan.

June.
8. William Glasgow and Milchit Wroth.
9. John Fanrod and Martha Gallaher.
11. George Hamilton and Rachel Morgan.
17. David Brown and Dinah Allen.
11. Abraham Johnson and Mary Chaney.

July.
16. Griffith Owen and Jane Sherman.

August.
7. John Springer and Sarah Horner.
9. Peter Davis and Jane Hinson.
18. Joseph McAsfey and Elizabeth Adamson.
25. Philip Ellick and Rachel Pashall.

October.
1. Joseph Brown and Rachel Cooper.
11. Casperus Meginnis and Mary Craw.
11. Benjamin Laforge and Margret Ervin.
15. Absalom Baird and Susanna Brown.
27. John Hewes and Hannah Conolly.

November.
4. John Vernon and Phœbe Marsh.
18. Joseph Capell and Mary Pearce.
20. John Robinson and Ann Vandever.
26. The Honorable William Killen, Chief Justice of Delaware State, and Mrs. Rebecca Bonzel.

December.
18. Mitchel Kinkead and Ann Ramsey.

25. Harlen Cloud and Debocah Canby.
31. John Gates and Lettice Davis.

ANNO 1784.

January.
1. Robert Crangal and Susanna Steward.
18. Andrew Ray and Mary Taylor.

February.
5. John White and Elizabeth Richardson.
13. Wm. Richard and Margaret Simpson.
19. Thomas Tally and
19. Robert Wilson and Elizabeth Gibbons.
19. Andrew King and Rachel Ford.
26. John Jobblers and Eve Livingston.

March.
4. John Clark and Hannah Holte.
6. Jacob Ford and Jane Maul.
23. Thomas McDawel and Ruth McEntire.

April.
1. Samuel Lewis and Lydia Pearson.
3. James McWay and Elizabeth Mackey.
5. John Cossey and Elizabeth Sample.
14. John Williams and Hannah Garritson.
16. Nathaniel Jaquett and Mary Jaquett.

May.
26. Thomas Almond and Cathrine Derickson.

June.
3. Wm. Edwards and Elizabeth Rudolph.
10. Thomas Bird and Mary Babb.
17. James Reed and Phœbe Barnet.
24. Wm. Woodcock and Letitia Means.

July.
22. Joseph Meredith and Ann Ford.
23. John Price and Jemima Hansey.

August.
12. John Brawn and Hannah Jones.
17. Thomas Tyler and Susanna Wesley.
19. Alexander Harvey and Sarah Bird.
Edward McKeone and Ann Dunugherty.

26. Wm. Colwell and Martha Hewse.
31. John Kitts and Rachel Peterson.

September.

9. John Cockran and Mary Smidt.
Jacob Moore and Grace Linch.

October.

9. Samuel Temple and Elizabeth Clemens.
13. Thomas Wilson and Mary Peirce.
21. Hance Naff and Mary Colligan.
28. Nathan Cummins and Mary Milben.

November.

9. Jessey Sharpley and Joanna Townsend.
11. Wm. Cosure and Rachel May.
17. John Holton and Cathrine Corridon.

December.

15. Owen McBraiherly and Ann Conner.
22. Jeremiah Brown and Phœbe Booth.
27. Thomas Griffin and Jane Spencer.

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ANNO 1785.

January.

6. Alexander Hall and Sarah Heavens.
John Adair and Mary Hews.
12. Nicholas Richardson and Bell Jane Cambel.
17. Philip Jackson and Isabella Almond.
18. Briant Montague and Elenor Welsh.

February.

27. Moses Draper and Eve Williams.

March.

1. James Robinson and Cathrine Augustus.
17. Andrew McIntosh and Margret Claeson.
24. Isaac Abraham and Janet Smidth.
28. Abraham Hughes and Sara Brynberg.

April.

4. Daniel McBride and Rachel Bird.
7. John Shanks and Hannah Ghiseline.

May.

1. Wm. Moore and Rebecca Robinson.
19. Charles Savin and Mary McGinnis.

June.
7. Abel Green and Prudence Sidwes.
10. Thomas Smith and Debora Ward.
14. Israel Peterson and Jane Bratten.
25. James Fairbrother and Cathrine Barret.
August.
11. Joseph Enos and Ann Morton.
18. Wm. Pennock and Lydia Jackson.
23. Robert Culbertson and Mary Ogle.
September.
29. John Armstrong and, Elizabeth Peterman.
October.
13. John Brown and Ann Alardice.
18. William Cassidy and Martha McHenry.
November.
3. Joseph Justis and Ann Justis.
10. John Kiek and Mary Bishop.
16. Joseph Mungan and Sarah Alling.
16. Richard Graham and Patience Lewis.
27. Elva Valentine and Lovy Morgan.
28. Jeremiah Shadd and Amelia Sishe.
December.
13. Robert Leslie and Lydia Baker.

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ANNO 1786.

January
5. Peter Walraven and Anna Hendrickson.
Daniel Hossman and Rebecca Crampton.
29. Thomas Philpot and Brita Anderson.
February.
27. John Bogs and Elizabeth Carr.
March.
8. Samuel Harris and Mary Hall.
Jaai Davis and Elenor Norris.
30. Benjamin Hall and Sara Arven.
April.
2. John Watson and Susanna Keepers.
10. Thomas Clark and Cathrine Floyd.

10. Patrick Roney and Mary Bicket.

May.

4. Joseph Jenkins and Sabina Sleifers.
23. Charles Thomas and Susanna McAllmond.
23. George Plank and Elizabeth Horn.

June.

4. John Green and Mary Hayhes.
21. Thomas Barrows and Ann HenriettalSmith.
24. Jacob Barnet and Sarah Ford.
25. Benjamin Hartley and Sarah Canby.
27. Timothy Pierce and Sarah Ashmead.

August.

2. Joseph Der.ickson and Ann Sullivan.
14. Henry Debooh and Martha Lawrence.
24. Abraham Brown and Sarah Sinnex.

September.

7. James Davis and Johanna Mullen.
14. Kirk Kirk and Margret Megill.
Daniel Sharpley and Isabella Weldon.
Francis Mendenhall and Mary Quine.
22. Peter D. Evermon and Anna Sinnex.

October.

11. Seneca Sinnex and Jane Derrickson.
13. Thomas Sharp and Elizabeth Harvey.
31. Peter Grubb and Hannah White,
26. John Smidt and Sarah Weldon.

1786.

Novembr.

5. The Rev. Charles Henry Wharton and Miss Mary Weems.
8. John McBeath and Margret Montgomery.
12. John McConnel and Mary Gissin.
27. Peter Justis and Sarah Hersey.

December.

6. George Sellars and Ann Matson.
9. Henry Likel and Isabella Stuard.
27. Aaron James and Mary Messer.
28. Benjamin Burrill and Ann Welsh.

ANNO 1787.

January

4. Thomas Moore and Mary Lawrence.

20. Benjamin Barnet and Mary Justison by order of a Justice of Peace in Presence of the Constable,

February.

7. Moses Bullock and Ester Faulk.

27. John Faulk and Jemima Sharpley.

March.

1. Abner Dickerson and Jane Friar.

12. John Bell and Isabella Dundas.

27. John Kinsman and Margaret Weldon.

April.

4. James Ball and Mary Evans.

May.

13. Timothy Reed and Rebecca Monro.

23. Isaac Justisson and Sarah Fouzer.

June.

10. Charles Stewart and Sarah Rawlins, from London England.

July.

7. John Abrams and Jane French, from Madeira.

12. Nichael England and Rebecca Brown.

18. Wm. Kirk and Susanna Anderson.

August.

11. Joseph Webb and Sarah Fowser.

15. Jacob Dick and Susanna Perkins.

September.

2. Nathaniel Williams and Ann Sinnex.

4. Samuel Kelly and Margret Gray.

12. Ezekiel Grissit and Ann Lampson.

13. James Delavon and Jemmima Rain.

20. My Servant, Solomon Camper and Grace Timor, black.

24. James Grubb and Sarah Ford.

October.

16. Hugh Melagan and Margret McGaughey.

27. John Lary and Ann Combs.

December.

John Allinsser and Hannah McCarter.

29. Robert Taylor and Martha Haynes.

26.

ANNO 1788

February.

25. Christopher Crawford and Margaret Jaquett.

March.

19. Caleb Johnson and Betty Nickols.
20. Andrew Justis and Susanna Ball.

April.

1. John Adams and Catharine Cochran.
24. Samuel Wallace and Ann Laferty.

May.

6. John Foot and Margret Lewis.
15. Ebenezer Augustus Smith and Mary Stidham.

June.

16. Robert McCaskey and Mary Hewes.
17. James Ross and Priscilla Lewis.

July.

16. Peter Henry and Mary Stonemety.

August.

9. Charles McLean and Sarah McColly.
14. John Francis Lefevre and Isabella Sanderson.
26. Joseph Lamborn and Catharine Shivery.

September.

16. James Delaplain and Mary Kirk.
17. David Graham and Martha Parket.
25. John Hall and Margret Elliot.

October.

14. Isaiah Chester and Mary Peterson.
17. Thomas Baxter and Rachel Ersley.
21. Barnaby Kelly and Onore Suraney.

November.

22. Edward Gilpin and Lydia Grubb.

December.

17. James Maxfield and Mary Armstrong.
24. Wm. Sanders and Letitia Jeffrey.

22.

ANNO 1789.

January.

6. Joseph Harris and Cathrine Righter.
8. Cornelius Stidham and Rebecca Derrickson.
Isaac Woodcock and Mary McCallem.
Robert Cauzine and Anne Sanders.

February.

5. Levi Springer and Rebecca Heudrickson.
11. Richard Millason and Ann Millason

March.

19. Richard Runnels and Margret Lynam.

April.

2. John Brynberg and Elenor Stedman.
16. Edward Oldhman and Mary McDaniels.

July.

7. John Stoops and Martha Moore.
20 Charles Gelly and Ann Crosby.
39. Valentine Robeson and Charity Cloud.

August.

6. William Hawk and Mary Fallows.
25. Malachia John and Martha Addy.

September.

21. Abraham Baily and Phœbe Carpenter.
22. Joshua Perkins and Rachel Preston.

October.

22. John Robnell and Rachel Dingee
Robert Nickols and Sarah Gennet.
24. Neil Gallagher and Elizabeth Ball.
29. Joseph Webb and Grace Parke.

November.

23. John Banhare and Jane Boyd.

December.

2. William Cooke and Jane Gaust
15. Samuel Daas and Mary Purly.

24.

ANNO 1790.

January.

10. John Benderman and Bridget Fletcher.
14. Cornelius Cripps and Hannah Hays.

February.
11. Jacob Peterman and Brita Springer.
29. Richard Few and Mary Tayler.
March.
1. Memutan Howels and Elizabeth Taylor.
4. Ephraim Bussington and Rebecca Framey.
12. Nathan Boyce and Susanna Hiland.
18. Jacob Weld and Mary Almond.
John Welsh and Margret Elliott
25. John Springer and Rebecca Stidham.
29. George Butler and Elizabeth Conner.
April.
6. Alexander McKever and Susanna Stidham.
14. Sy Smith and Sarah Donaldson.
15. William Tolon and Sarah Bennet.
25. Thomas Delap and Elizabeth Stuart.
May.
6. John Stedham and Abigail Springer.
17. Jacob Smith and Isabella Sharpley.
27. Samuel Bolin and Ruth Butler.
June.
1. Michael King and Ann Sutton.
24. Joshua McClean and Rebecca Morton.
July.
22. George Pierce and Martha Chalfant.
24. Thomas Smith and Hannah Kirk.
August.
5. Nicholas Quinn and Elizabeth Runnels.
7. Bloomfield Grier and Lydia Harriot.
16. Thomas Smith and Margret Colbreth.
September.
2. Zacharias Garner and Lea Rue.
25. James Lackey and Mary Goddaid.
27. Joseph Smith and Phœbe Bail.
29. John Prerie and Debora Prerie.
October.
11. Thomas Pearce and Hanna Collins.
21. Charles Kelly and Debora Cobbs.
25. John McCennaugh and Rachel McCarnaughie.

November.
11. David Vanneman and Dorothy Runnels.
23. Thomas McKee and Mary Jordan.
December.
9. David Ford and Martha Gissin.
16. Thomas Elliott and Martha Anderson.

ANNO 1791.

January.
2. Robert Swan and Elizabeth Hamilton.
13. Abraham Chandler and Ann Cochran.
20. Caleb Marshall and Mary Marshall.
February.
3. Josiah Anderson and Rachel Derickson.
10. Benjamin Springer and Lydia McEntire.
April.
7. Auron Justis and Sarah Hiland.
15. John Withrow and Susanna Elliott.
21. Silas Bailey and Margret Harlan.
23. William Hazlett and Elizabeth Pyle.
27. Andrew Moore and Elizabeth Bines.
May.
4. William Dixon and Susanna Pearson.

MARRIAGES WHICH HAVE BEEN CELEBRATED IN THIS STATE (DELAWARE) AGREEABLY TO THE LAWS OF THE SAME RESPECTING MARRIAGES, BY JOSEPH CLARKSON.

1792.

December.
30. Tristram Thomas and Susan Geddes.

1793.

January.
12. Cadwalader Morris and Maria Lenden.
March.
17. Andrew Colesberry and Mary Allrich.
April.
4. Thomas Cartmell and Margret Perkins.
16. Joseph Walden and Rebecca Tussey.
May.
11. David Logan and Mary Long.

June.
9. William Wickersham and Elizabeth Green
15. Alexander McIntosh and Elizabeth Low.
24. Michael Morrow and Jane Robinson.

July.
3. George Shields and Hannah Walker.
9. Frederick Tussey and Catharine Springer.
17. John Gears and Anna Marley.
18. Thomas Mullin and Susan Readus.

August.
12. George Henderson and Rachel Dampsey.
16. Samuel Wilson and Cathrine Rotheram.
27. John Cannon and Ann Downs.

September.
11. Alexander Tussey and Mary Welch.
12. John Sinex and Margaret Ford.
23. Thomas Watson and Mary Watson.

October.
16. Francis Gurney and Mary ——.
16. William Clark and Jane Lankin Branson.
23. John Picket and Elenor McClaskey.

November.
16. George Spain and Elizabeth Reynold.
21. Nathaniel Grubb and Margret Babb.
Philip Ford and Catharine Perkins.
26. Berkely McClain and Ann Jane Townley.

December.
3, William Currie and Lydia Tool.

December.
12. George Bush and Ann James.
19. Jonathan Beson and Elizabeth Shipley.
28. Charles Collins and Giles McNultey.

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1794.

January.
7. John Walraven and Mary Colesberry.
23. William Lenderman and Elizabeth Stidham.

February.
15. Nicholas Haney and Margret Backster.

25. Jonas Stedham and Elizabeth Nebeker.

March.

26. Peter Jaquet and Elizabeth Price.

April.

6. Manasseh Dougherty and Cathrine Dougherty.
21. John Valentine Webber and Sarah Chapman,
24. John S. Lettler and Ann Broom,

June.

38. John Crumpton and Sarah Harden, "no fee."

July.

17. Thomas Daugherty and Mary Ford.

August.

18. John Mills and Isabella Lindey, "ne fee."

September.

15. Michael Mullin and Mary Culbertson.
16. William Rice and Sarah Bracken.
11. Samuel Kennedy and Tamazin Downing.

October.

22. Edward Clois and Cathrine McGonagil.

November.

15. Thomas Baily and Mary Heiser.

December.

4. Isaac Tyson and Hannah Lobb.

17

1795.

February.

19. Henry Logan and Mary McCalla.
26. John Price and Elizabeth Smith.
27. John Jeffries and Rachel Bale.

March.

12. Henry Crawford and Hester Beeson.
17. Ralph Lotton and Mary Hannah.
21. George Weaver and Mary McWorter.
28. William Hemmingway and Sarah Hayes.

April.

20. Cornelius McDade and Mary Carr.

May.

16. Louis Tousard and Ann Geddes.

June.
14. Jacob Morton and Rachel Harp.
18. Isaac Culin and Hannah Carter,
25. Henry Barry and Elizabeth Rice.

July.
9. Jacob Richards and Elizabeth James.
8. William Hart and Margret Mikeljohn.
15. Adam Talley and Rebecca Day.

October.
8. John Rumford and Priscilla Jeffries.
16. James McMullen and Cathrine Bryans.
29. James D. Ross and Elizabeth M. Bancroft.

December.
31. Patrick McNeil and Elizabeth Jeffries.

19

1796.

January.
10. Enoch Moore and Elizabeth Harris.
17. Francis Dunlap and Honor Stidham.
John Byenes and Mary Cox.
27. William Foot and Kitty Matson.
27. Richard Hancock and Rebecca Matson.

February.
4. Francis O'Daniel and Isabella French.
11. Robert McCall and Elizabeth Calahan.
18. John Warner and Mary Lea.

March.
6. Samuel Sevel and Ann Golden.
31. William Wilson and Jane Bail.
31. Robert Montgomery Graham and Sarah Connell.

April.
10. Thomas Hancock and Ann Taylor.
12. James McClure and Sarah Rogers.
12. Daniel Coningham and Sarah Walker.

July.
19. William Gloss and Phœbe Jones.
August.
16. William Taylor and Martha Osborne.
September.
21. Samuel Tally and Mary Russell.
27. Henry Bridle and Christiana Gilmer.
October.
6. Worrick Mortin and Ruth Miller.
6. Nathan Brown and Mary Mie.
13. William Taylor and Mary Murdock.
15. James Latham and Sarah Pritchett.
21. William Miller and Elizabeth Chamberlain.
25. John Guin and Rachel Dunlap.
November.
1. Ezra Lewis and Sarah Ford.
2. Edward Davis and Mary Taylor.
William Cloud and Ann Davis.
3. William Stedham and Elizabeth Poulson.
23. Neil Campbel and Sarah Smith. 29.

1797.

January.
7. Patrick Nugent and Elianor Nugent.
March.
30. Frederick Obedeer and Fredrica Multanius.
April.
6. John D. Thompson and Sophia Baxter.
20. William Pluright and Eliza Stidham.
Jonathan Davis and Elizabeth Boggs.
May.
4. John Dawson and Elizabeth Jennet.
9. James Wiltbank and Sally Cooper.
June.
8. Zachariah Derickson and Susanna Johnson.
11. Andrew Morris and Elizabeth Wott.
18. David Alrich and Elizabeth Harvey.

21. John Baptist Orso and Ann Ramsey.

July.

5. Christopher Smith and Cathrine Sperry.
6. Thomas Preston and Ann Sellars.
26. John Johnson and Mary Powell.

August.

3. Jesse Plankenton and Jane Robbins.
10. Gilbert Fox and Sarah Loutit Veazy.
22. James Boyle and Mary Anderson.
39. Thomas Hunter and Cathrine Watson.

September.

7. Thomas Warren Clark and Ann Trent Jacquett.
16. John Henry Dobelbower and Edith Jones.
24. John Job and Eleanor Galloway.
28. John Gilpin and Mary Hollingsworth.

October.

9. Clotworthy Barber and Elizabeth Given.
12. James McConnal and Mary Harp.
18. Wm. Dothat and Elizabeth Houstan.
26. Jacob Brinton and Sarah Broom.
John Morrow and Sarah Pyle.
29. Lancelot L. Smith and Ann Morton.

November.

1. Daniel McDaniel and Susanna Loone.
21. Garret Headen and Catharine Pain.

November,

28. Robert Pyle and Hannah Clark.

December.

18. James Mortemore and Margret Gregg.
21. Joseph Stidham and Ann Gregg.

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1798.

January,

1. James Foot and Margret Boyd.
11. Thos R. Gregg and Rachel Walters.
Adam Ayres and Sarah Larken.

14. Abraham Mendenhall and Eliznbeth Wells.
20. Thomas Price and Ann Ball.

February.

1. Peter Vandever and Elizabeth Clandening.
14. Thomas E. Rumsey and Harriet Sykes.
18. Thomas Ellison and Harriet Rumsey.

March.

8. George Matson and Elizabeth Walters.
18. Michael Snodey and Lena Sutton.
31. Matthew Perry and Lydia Carothers.

April.

5. Joseph Hoops and Eleanor Hamilton.
30. Anthony W. Robinson and Mary Ogle.

May.

14 Wm. Hannah and Cathrine McDaniel.

June.

14. Aaron Pike and Rachel Killom.
21. Samuel Ford and Mary Snmption.

July.

14. James Cochran and Elenor P. Barclay.
26. Jacob Wolf and Rebecca Taylor.

August.

11. George Davis and Hester Griffith.
29. John Niels and Hannah Backhouse.

September.

3. Barnard Barrow and Eleanor Tolan.

November.

1. John Gallaher and Margrete Hedrick,
8. Harmon Savill and Sarah Thomson.
10. James Jack and Margret Marlarney.
25. George Gillaspey and Mary Geddes.

December.

8. Benjamin Masson and Ruth Dingee
9. Daniel Dingee and Mary Mooney.
15. James Ball and Isabella McKnight.
15. John Hansley and Mary McClaskey.
27. Wm. Hamilton Boyd and Elizabeth Mitchel.

30.

1799.

January.

12. Thomas Ring and Elizabeth Good.

February.

14. Henry Bracken and Susanna Davis.

28. John Gelespe and Mary Derrickson.

March.

12. John Landers and Sarah Garretson.

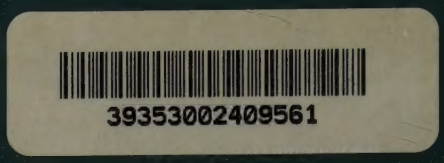
April.

11. Peter Walraven and Ann Fussel.

15. Benjamin Derrickson and Sarah Reynolds.

May.

10. Thomas Cryea and Rebecca Sellars.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